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SOCCER SUSPENSION SEQUEL.

Decision of the English
Association.

FAVOURABLE TO PLAYERS

The *China Mail* is courteously
informed by Mr. W. E. Hollands,
Hon. Secretary of the Football
Association, that the decision of
the English Football Association
relative to the suspension of two
players of the Chinese Athletic
Association, was received by mail
to-day and is favourable to the
players concerned.

The matter will be discussed at
a meeting of the Emergency
Committee on Tuesday at 5.30
p.m.

It may be recalled that the
suspension of two players was the
subject of discussion at a Council
meeting of the Football Association
on November 12, when the minutes
of the lengthy proceedings before
the Emergency Committee, and the
Appeals Board were read by the
Chairman, Mr. J. Ormiston.

As a result it was decided to
cable the English Football Association
as follows:—

"Reference Chinese Soccer
touring team this Association
has decided after due trial that
players having accepted sum of
money have unwittingly forfeited
amateur status. This means they
cannot again play in Hong Kong
as amateur. Will you allow us to
make new rule to reinstate them
after adequate terms of suspensions.
As our decision has caused
considerable trouble amongst
Chinese clubs please cable reply
as soon as possible." The
Chairman said that no reply
had been received to this
cable, and the matter must
consequently await further
developments from Home.

SCHNEIDER TROPHY.

R.A.F. MAY BE ALLOWED TO
ENTER.

PREMIER INTERESTED.

London, Yesterday.
In the House of Commons, Mr.
Ramsay MacDonald at question
time said that although the Government
was strongly averse to
perpetuating contests between
rival Government teams, it was
so interested in the Schneider
Trophy that it was prepared to
authorise a defence by the R.A.F.,
provided a definite undertaking
was given immediately that the
necessary funds would be pri-
vately available.—*Reuter*

Delay Regretted.

Rugby, Yesterday.
The Prime Minister announced
in the House of Commons that the
Government are prepared to
authorise the defence of the
Schneider Trophy by the Royal
Air Force and to grant provision-
al assistance, as in 1929, provided
a definite undertaking is given
immediately that the necessary
funds will be available from private
sources so as to carry out the
race in the proper way.

Mr. MacDonald said that a de-
putation of Members of Parlia-
ment had assured him that the
money required would be raised
privately, so that no expense
would fall on the public funds.
He regretted the delay which had
occurred and recognised that it
must be to the disadvantage of
the British entry. The Govern-
ment's decision, he added, had
been reached in view of special
circumstances, for they were
strongly averse to perpetuating
these contests between rival
Government teams.

Earlier News.

Rugby, Yesterday.
The Prime Minister will make
the House of Commons debate, this
afternoon, regarding the British
participation in the Schneider
Trophy race.

It is generally anticipated that
he will promise, under certain
conditions, the Government's as-
sistance in personnel and existing
material, enabling Britain to de-
fend the trophy against the French
and Italian challengers.

Having won the race twice in
succession, a third British victory
would give Britain a permanent
right to the trophy, and the contest
would be decided.

ECONOMIC MISSION HERE.

Studying Trade in the
Far East.

FINAL STAGE OF LABOURS.

Headed by Sir Ernest Thompson,
the British Economic Mission to
the Far East arrived in the Colony
this morning aboard the s.s.
Comorin, and proceeded to the
Pepin's Hotel, which will be
their headquarters during their
stay in the Colony.

There are twelve members of
the Commission, including the
Chairman, and also a secretarial
staff of three. The secretarial
staff will be temporarily augmented,
through the auspices of the
General Chamber of Commerce, by
six stenographic typists and four
copying typists. The extent of
the labours of the Commission is
indicated by the fact that, apart
from the 20 rooms engaged in the
hotel for the use of its members,
a complete suite of office rooms
has been fitted up on the first
floor.

An Arduous Task.

The visit to South China will
conclude the work of the Com-
mission as regards its inquiry into
the reasons for the decrease of
British trade in the Far East.
But there lies before the mem-
bers the even more arduous task
of classifying and correlating the
results, which will take some little
time. That work will be done in
Hong Kong, in order to save time
in presentation of the two reports
to His Majesty's Government.

Whilst in Hong Kong and South
China, the members of the Mis-
sion will interview leading busi-
ness men, and discuss trade mat-
ters and conditions with them in
private conversations. It is un-
derstood that they commenced
their labours almost immediately
upon arrival. When this part of
the work is concluded, the pre-
paration of reports will commence.
Of the two reports, one will deal
with trade in general, and the
other will have special application
to the cotton trade. Incidentally,
certain members of the Economic
Mission form the body of the
separate Cotton Mission.

It is also intended to study con-
ditions, and interview business
men in Canton, for which purpose
one week will be set aside. The
Mission will remain here until
March 5.

It is intended to lay before pro-
ducers and merchants at Home all
the facts and information that
have been acquired, in order to en-
courage them to make every effort
to obtain a larger share of China's
trade.

The Economic Mission will be
entertained in Hong Kong by the
General Chamber of Commerce
and the Chinese Chamber of Com-
merce, and will also attend an
official dinner party in their honour
to be given by H.E. the Governor
and Lady Peel.

Upon their arrival this morning,
the members were greeted by Mr.
E. W. Hamilton, of the Colonial
Secretariat, Mr. M. F. Key, Sec-
retary of the General Chamber of
Commerce, and Mr. Chan Heung-
jick, Secretary of the Chinese
Chamber of Commerce. Mr.
Hamilton has been appointed by
H.E. the Governor to co-operate
with the Chambers of Commerce
in facilitating the work of the
Mission.

Mission's Personnel.

The following are the members
of the Mission:—

Sir Ernest Thompson* who was
knighted in 1929, is a shipping
merchant of Manchester.

Lieut-Colonel Reginald Koble
Morgan, C.B.E., is a director of
Glyn's Bank, Ltd. and of Ballis &
Morcom, Ltd. He is also chair-
man of the British Electric and
Allied Manufacturers' Association.
He was educated at Marl-
borough and Trinity College, Cam-
bridge, and served with distinc-
tion in the Great War.

Sir Thomas Allen, who was
knighted in 1919, is Vice-Chair-
man of the Co-operative Whole-
sale Society, and Chairman of the
Co-operative Insurance Society.

STORY THAT IL DUCE DID NOT LIKE.

"What's One Life in
Affairs of State?"

GENERAL'S INDISCRETION.

Washington, Yesterday.
One of the most peculiar diplo-
matic incidents ever known in
the United States has reached a
climax by the Government fully
apologising to Signor Mussolini
through Mr. H. L. Stimson for a
dinner speech by General Smedley
Butler, one of the most popular
officers in the U.S. Marines, but
long regarded as an "enfant ter-
rible." His indiscretions so far
have brought nothing worse than
an unofficial reprimand, but he has
now to face a general court-mar-
tial for telling the Philadelphia
Club a story he heard from a
friend, namely, a friend who was
motoring with Signor Mussolini
in Italy. The car knocked down a
child. Mussolini did not stop,
he alleged, declaring: "What's
one life in affairs of State?"

The speech did not attract at-
tention until the Italian Ambassa-
dor denied the story and demanded
an apology from Mr. Stimson, who
said that he "deeply regrets the
discourteous and unwarranted ut-
terance by a Commissioned Officer
in the United States."—*Reuter's
American Service.*

HEROIN PLANT.

INSINUATIONS AGAINST BRITISH
HOUSE.

REBUTTED IN GENEVA.

Geneva, Yesterday.
Sir Malcolm Delevingne to-day
rebutted an insinuation made by
the National Anti-Opium Associa-
tion of China regarding a house
in the British Concession in Tien-
tsin which was alleged to contain
a plant to extract heroin from
floor polish sent from France.

Sir Malcolm Delevingne em-
phasised that the plant was dis-
covered by the British Municipal
Police, while the Chinese Mari-
time Customs were responsible
for admitting the materials.

Dr. Woo Kai-seng (China) ap-
preciated the prompt and effec-
tive British action and added that
the existence of foreign Conces-
sions led to delays and difficulties.
Lt-Col. R. A. Lyall, Chairman
of the Opium Board, emphasised
the unsatisfactory state of the
law in China as regards procedure
and penalties for illicit traffic.—*Reuter.*

OUR DEBT TO U.S.

ANNUITY OF 3.6 PER CENT. ON
CAPITAL.

Rugby, Yesterday.
Replying in the House of Com-
mons at question time, the Chan-
cellor of the Exchequer, Mr.
Philip Snowden, said that the
annuity payable to the United States
Government this financial year
under the debt funding agree-
ment represents 3.6 per cent. of
the capital outstanding at the be-
ginning of the financial year.
The corresponding figures in the
case of the French and Italian
debt settlements with the United
States are approximately one
per cent. and 7 per cent. respec-
tively.—*British Wireless Service.*

and of the New Zealand Product
Association.

Mr. James Bell, M.P., represents
the Ormskirk division (Labour).
He is Secretary of the United Textile
Works Association.

Other members of the Mission
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Mr. Louis Beale, C.B.E.
Mr. F. W. Birchmough, J.P.
Mr. E. Duxbury.
Mr. J. L. Edmondson.
Mr. George Green.
Mr. Arthur Reiss.
Mr. Joseph Wild.
Mr. T. St. Quintin Hill, C.B.E.
(Secretary of the Mission).
Mr. N. A. Guttery (Secretary of
the Cotton Mission).
Mr. V. A. Barnes (Assistant
Secretary).
Also members of the Cotton
Mission.

PIRATES' OUTRAGE ON VICTIMS.

Hot Oil Poured Into
Their Ears.

HANGED TO MAST HEAD.

Shanghai, To-day.
The Chinese papers this morn-
ing report that junk pirates, in
the Woosung area on Tuesday,
when pursued by an attacking
force, poured hot oil into the
ears of five boat people whom
they had carried off for ransom
and then hanged them to the
mast head.

It is reported that two Chinese
steamship companies plying be-
tween Shanghai and Ningpo are
employing from February 1 six-
teen anti-piracy guards for each
of their vessels.—*Reuter.*

CLOUDY.

To-day's weather report from
the Royal Observatory states:
The anti-cyclone is central
to the N.W. of Korea.
Moderate to fresh monsoon
prevails along the S.E. Coast
of China and over the N. China
Sea.

Forecast:—N.E. winds; moder-
ate; generally cloudy.

Rainfall.

Rainfall to 10 a.m. to-day
nil. Rainfall since Janu-
ary 1, 0.32 inch against an
average of 1.36.

Temperature.

The temperature at certain
specified centres this morning
at 8 o'clock was:—
Hong Kong 64
Macao 63
Pratas Island 74
Manila 70
Fochow 64
Amoy 66
Swatow 66
Chefoo 23
Shanghai 88

DEATH PENALTY.

GOVERNMENT TO TAKE NO
ACTION.

Rugby, Yesterday.
In the House of Commons to-
day the Home Secretary, Mr. I. R.
Clayton, stated that the Govern-
ment did not propose to take any
action on the recent report of the
Select Committee on capital
punishment. The report recom-
mended the abolition of the death
penalty for an experimental period
of five years.—*British Wireless
Service.*

MR. F. T. GOMES.

DEATH OF VETERAN EMPLOYEE
OF KOWLOON DOCK.

The death occurred at 2.15 this
morning, at his residence, 10,
Austin Road, Kowloon, of Mr.
Francisco Theomito Gomes, an old
member of the Portuguese com-
munity.

Mr. Gomes, who was 70 years of
age, had lived practically the whole
of his life in Hong Kong, and was
for 45 years in the service of the
Kowloon Dock.

The deepest sympathy of a large
circle of friends will go out to the
members of his family.

The funeral takes place at the
Roman Catholic Cemetery, Happy
Valley, this evening, passing the
Monument at 5.30.

TRAMWAY'S DIVIDEND.

Making a total of 80 cents per
share for the year 1930 the Direc-
tors of Hong Kong Tramways,
Limited, will recommend a final
dividend of 40 cents per share at
the forthcoming ordinary yearly
general meeting of the Company
shortly to be announced.

STOP PRESS

London, Yesterday.
It is now estimated that
dead and missing in the
Whitehaven pit disaster
total 26. Thirteen men have
been sent to hospital, having
been buried and rescued.
Bentley.

TURKISH PLOTTERS TO HANG.

Conspiracy to Usurp
Kemalist Rule.

SEVERE SENTENCES.

Constantinople, Yesterday.
Seventy-eight persons have
been sentenced to death out of
the first group accused in connec-
tion with the riot plot in
Smyrna. The other sentences
vary from three to 24 years' hard
labour. The sentences must be
ratified by the Angora Chamber.
—*Reuter.*

[A message of December 28
stated:—Hitherto 1,000 arrests
have been made at Menemen,
Magnesia, Konia, Smyrna, Stam-
boul and elsewhere, including
Sheiks, Dervishes, Imams, a
number of women; and a whole
battalion of troops whose loyalty
was suspected has been interned
following the recent revolt at
Menemen in which several people
were killed, and which purported
to establish a "religious regime." The
authorities believe that the
revolt was not an isolated in-
cident, but the first phase of a vast
conspiracy aiming at the over-
throw of the Kemalist "regime."]

PRINCESS SINKING.

CONDITION SAID TO BE LESS
SATISFACTORY.

HEART ATTACKS.

London, Yesterday.
A bulletin states that Princess
Beatrice has had temporary at-
tack of heart weakness and her
condition must be regarded as less
satisfactory.

Slight Improvement.

A later bulletin states that the
arrival at the Palace at 7 p.m. of
H.M. the Queen of Spain has been
a helpful factor in the slight im-
provement of the condition of
Princess Beatrice. There has
been no heart attack since noon,
but some anxiety will necessarily
continue for the present.—*Reuter.*

Restless Night.

Rugby, Yesterday.
It was stated at Kensington
Palace this morning that Princess
Beatrice had a restless night, but
her strength was maintained.

Her daughter, the Queen of
Spain, is reaching London this
evening from Madrid.—*British
Wireless Service.*

OPIUM IN SUITCASE.

CHINESE FINED \$1,440 AT
KOWLOON.

Three Chinese, Li Ying, Li Ping-
nam and Lau Chun-kam, appeared
before Mr. Butters at the Kowloon
Magistrate's Court this morning for
possession of 12 tael of non-
Government prepared opium at No.
149, Cheung Sha Wan Road.

Revenue Officer Young said he
went to the address, and first de-
fendant admitted being the prin-
cipal tenant. The other two men were
asleep in the cubicle.

Result of Search.
As the result of a search, the
opium was discovered, together
with \$400 in H.K. currency and \$24
in Chinese money, and a receipt in
second defendant's name, in a suit-
case.

The second defendant, who claim-
ed to be a new arrival, admitted the
ownership of the suitcase.
His Worship discharged the third
defendant, but fined the other two
\$1,440 or six months' jail each.

Refusal to be Searched.

At the Central Magistracy this
morning a Chinese woman was
charged with the unlawful pos-
session of two tael of illicit opium.

She was arrested by a detective
in Queen's Road Central, and re-
fused to be searched. At the
Central Police Station she again
refused to be searched. She had
the opium concealed in a pad be-
tween her legs.

A fine of \$200, or two months'
jail, was imposed.

Yesterday, Police Sergeant
Murphy and a party of Police
executed a warrant to retrieve
stolen property at 214 Hollywood
Road. On entering the flat they
seized 16 gold watch watches, to the
value of \$300, some of which relate
to the robbery at 292 Queen's Road
Central on January 26.

EWIN'S VICTORY DESCRIBED.

Body Attack Decides
the Fight.

LOGAN'S RIGHT INEFFECTIVE

Seaman Harry Ewin, boxing star
of H.M.S. Kent, apparently
made Manila sit up and take notice,
by his eight-round knock-out of
Carlos Logan last Saturday. Manila
critics, whilst conceding that Harry
might have the edge in experience
and ringcraft, all inclined to the be-
lief that Logan's reputedly terrific
right would decide the issue in his
favour. They either did not know,
or forgot to mention, that Ewin has
a wallop in his right mauler as
well!

Ewin was well advised to con-
centrate his attack downstairs,
where the average Filipino brawler
does not relish it at all. Logan
was played out after the fourth
round, and then it only became a
question of time before the British
boy "took" him. Logan, the
undefeated, and "uncrowned middle-
weight king of the Orient," was
game enough, but could not stand
up to the body attack. His "ter-
rific" right landed a couple of times,
only to make Harry shake his head,
and bore in again quite unperturb-
ed.

British Jubilant.

The British community in Manila
rolled up en masse for the battle,
and were naturally jubilant over
Harry's success. Most of them
"had their shirt on him," but the
most gratifying feature of it all
was the big lift it gave to British
prestige in the Manila sport world.
The Manila Club must have been
a joyous place last Saturday night!
Knowing the Manila fight crowd,
who are all in all a great bunch of
sportsmen, we should think that
Ewin could have had all the bouts
he wanted down there, had time
permitted.

Apparently the sport is still go-
ing great guns down there, as there
was a packed house in the big
Stadium to see the fight.

Young Scott, amateur light-
weight champion, of H.M.S. Kent,
also had a bout in Manila, beating
Hermoso, of the University of the
Philippines, at the Charity Fair
tournament. So the trip will hold
pleasant associations for all con-
cerned!

Fight Described.

Describing the Ewin-Logan
tangle, a sports writer in the
Manila Tribune says:—

Carlos Logan, who has long
known the feeling that comes when
one's opponent crumples before one
following the impact of fist to jaw,
realized what the other side feels
like last night, when Seaman Harry
Ewin, British Imperial Services
champion middleweight, crumpled
him up in the eighth round of the
main event at the Stadium.

The end came suddenly for most
fans in the Stadium, except the few
that realized that Logan was tiring
rapidly toward the close of the fifth
frame. Ewin, from the fourth
round on, was pounding away at
the midsection, and it was this that
weakened Carlos to a point where
the old fire and dash of his attack
were decidedly lacking. Towards
the middle of the eighth Logan was
busy protecting the commissary de-
partment, when Ewin, starting a
short hook rather high, brought him
down with a crash to the solar
plexus. Logan collapsed and stay-
ed there, in a sitting position, while
Referee Archie Lee tolled the fatal
ten.

The boys were evenly matched
as to weight, scaling at 154 apiece.
Logan had a distinct shade in
reach and height, and for the first
round or so, it looked as if this
would be the deciding factor. Lo-
gan's furious rushes had the
British backstepping, and when a
right hook glanced along his head
and cut his left eye open, the fans
settled back in anticipation of a
speedy end.

The first round was Logan's, but
the second, which was even, show-
ed something of Ewin's skill and
ring generalship. Logan took the
aggressive, but his rushes found
him tied in a knot by Ewin's mas-
terly elbow work. Ewin was box-
ing carefully and protecting him-
self.

Stiff Lefts.

The Briton started in the third
round repeatedly with stiff lefts
to the midriff. He was not much
concerned, it at all, over Logan's
reputedly terrific right, and called
the show was over.

EUROPEAN POWERS TO DISARM?

Britain Only One to
Set Example.

HOUSE OF LORDS' DEBATE.

Rugby, Yesterday.
In the House of Lords to-day
Lord Dickinson opened a debate
on International Disarmament
and referred to the conference
which the Council of the League
of Nations had decided should
meet in February next year.

Viscount Cecil said that while
international competition in arma-
ments went on peace could not be
regarded as secure. The question
was whether disarmament was
possible. He believed it was and
there was a really good chance
of its being brought about.

Lord Bridgeman, Conservative,
said that Britain alone of the
European countries had made an
enormous reduction in naval
strength, which could only be
justified if they were met by cor-
responding reductions by the
other Powers. We must all hope
for the success of the conference
next year.

Others Increasing?

He hoped that the Government
would be able to give some com-
forting assurance that other
Powers did propose to reduce, but
the figures of their expenditure
seemed rather to indicate they
were increasing their arma-
ments.

Lord Farmoor, replying for the
Government, said that he endor-
sed Lord Cecil's statement,
falling again into conditions.
The risk of the nations
of progressive armaments rivalry
which caused the Great
War must by all means be
avoided. That meant disarmament.
The Conference next year
must fill in the actual figures in
the skeleton scheme of the
League's Preparatory Commis-
sion. Without being alarmist, he
could not help feeling that delay
meant risk and might bring great
difficulties. He paid a tribute to
the work of Lord Cecil over many
years in the cause of international
disarmament.—*British Wireless
Service.*

FOUND IN MAGAZINE

CHINESE TRESPASSES AMONG
EXPLOSIVES.

Charged before Mr. Lindsell at
the Central Police Court this morn-
ing with having trespassed at the
Mount Davis forts, a Chinese said
that he had gone there to look for
a billiard-room boy.

Detective-Sergeant Meadows, said
that it was not certain how the
defendant got in. He was found in
the magazine, where the door had
been left open for ventilation.
There was a number of high ex-
plosives stored, and it was very
dangerous.

A box of cartridges had been
moved and the seal taken off, but
it was not proved whether de-
fendant did it or not. Defendant was
apparently under the influence of
drink at the time of his arrest.

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and fourth went to

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HIKAWA MARU	Thursday, 26th February.
HEIAN MARU	Thursday, 26th February.
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KASHIMA MARU	Saturday, 21st February.
YASUKUNI MARU	Saturday, 21st February.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.	Thursday, 19th February.
RITANO MARU	Thursday, 19th February.
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.	31st January.
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IYO MARU	Tuesday, 19th February.
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GINYO MARU	Sunday, 1st February.
SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.	Thursday, 26th February.
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TATAGO MARU	Sunday, 1st March.
TAKETOYO MARU	Sunday, 1st March.
LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Stambul (Constantinople), Genoa.	Sunday, 15th February.
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CALCUTTA via Singapore & Rangoon.	Seattle Maru	Mon., 2nd Feb.
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Mr. F. J. Gregg, from Home leave, has gone chief officer, Talyuan.
Mr. W. T. D. Murphy, second officer, Tatum, has gone second officer, Wanhshien.
Mr. A. S. Lewis, second officer, Tungchow, has gone second officer, Tatum.
Mr. S. de Candia, second officer, Wanhshien, has gone second officer, Tungchow.
Mr. R. B. C. Lee, chief officer, Hupeh, has gone chief officer, Hsin Peking.
Mr. E. M. Swan, chief officer, Hsin Peking, is on reserve.
Mr. A. H. Finnie, chief officer, C. N. Co., is on Home leave.
Mr. W. P. B. Paul, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Chusan.
Mr. D. S. Simpson, from reserve, has gone second officer, Chusan.
Mr. C. J. M. Bennett, second officer, Anhui, has gone second officer, Tsinan.
Mr. E. G. Long, second officer, C. N. Co., is on special Home leave.
Mr. E. Williams, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Hupeh.
Mr. A. G. Corbin, second officer, Fatsan, has resigned from the C. N. Co.
Mr. N. McMillan, from reserve, has gone second officer, Fatsan.
Mr. K. A. Pegden, from reserve, has gone second officer, Liangchow.
Mr. A. M. Buchanan, from reserve, has gone second officer, Chungking.
Mr. R. A. Smith, from reserve, has gone second officer, Luchow.
Mr. E. Bruce, second officer, Luchow, has gone second officer, Szechuen.
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Mr. F. C. Webb, second officer, Tean, has gone second officer, Fengtien.
Mr. W. E. Hargreave, from reserve, has gone second officer, Chengtu.
Mr. J. F. C. Bartley, second officer, Chengtu, has gone second officer, Shuntien.
Mr. E. M. Foster, second officer, Shuntien, is on reserve.
Mr. J. R. G. Gow, from reserve, has gone second officer, Shengking.
Mr. F. H. Smith, second officer, Shengking, has gone second officer, Chihnuan.
Captain R. Allison, of the Wantung, has gone master, Shengking.
Captain R. H. G. Ashby, of the Shengking, has gone master, Hsin Peking.
Mr. W. H. Angus, second officer, Chungking, has gone second officer, Kwelyang.
Mr. W. Bambo, second officer, Kwelyang, has gone second officer, Kaying.
Mr. D. S. Simpson, from reserve, has gone second officer, Chusan.
Captain A. McDowall, C. N. Co., is on Home leave.
Mr. E. Kermode, chief officer, Newchwang, is on reserve.

DOLLAR LINE.

READJUSTMENT OF SERVICE ACROSS PACIFIC.

The Dollar Steamship Line announce that effective from Hong Kong with the sailing of their s.s. President Jackson on March 31, there will be a readjustment of their trans-Pacific service to permit of their steamers to San Francisco proceeding through the Panama Canal to New York. Sailings of the Dollar Steamship Line and the American Mail Line from Hong Kong up to the end of March will be according to their present schedule but effective with March 30 sailing, the steamers of these two lines will be divided as follows:—
On the San Francisco Line, steamers will proceed from Manila to Hong Kong, thence to Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Balboa, Cristobal, Havana, and New York, and from New York, will return to the Orient over the same route through the Panama Canal to San Francisco and return to the Orient via Japan and China ports. The steamers used in this service will be President Jackson, President McKinley, President Grant, President Cleveland, President Pierce, President Johnson, President Wilson, and President Hoover.
On the run Manila to Seattle via Hong Kong, Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama, and Victoria, Canada, the steamers President Madison, President Taft, President Jefferson, and President Lincoln will be used.
These alterations will permit of the Company still maintaining their weekly sailing from Hong Kong, alternating between Seattle and San Francisco and will at the same time permit of the extension of their service from the Orient to New York via the Panama Canal. It will not in any way affect the present round-the-world service of the Dollar Steamship Line and that service will still be maintained as in the past with a fortnightly service from Hong Kong.

LUCIA MUTINY.

CAREERS OF DISMISSED OFFICERS.

London, Yesterday.
The officers concerned in Mr. Alexander's statement on the Lucia affair yesterday are: Commander O. E. Hallifax, Lieut. Commander J. W. Hoskyns, Commissioned Boatswain P. A. Wright—Reuter.
[H.M.S. Lucia is a vessel of 5,805 tons displacement with a complement of 232 officers and men. Originally the Hamburg-America liner Spreewald, built in 1907, she was captured in September, 1914, by the cruiser Berwick and converted into a submarine depot ship.
Commander Oswald E. Hallifax, D.S.O. is the captain of the Lucia and is also in command of the second submarine flotilla of which the Lucia was the parent ship. He is the third son of the late Rear Admiral John S. Hallifax and has two brothers in the Navy, Captain G. W. Hallifax, naval attaché at Paris, and Captain R. C. H. Hallifax, who commands the Fifth Destroyer Flotilla of the Atlantic Fleet.
Commander Hallifax, who is to be placed on half-pay, served throughout the war in submarines and was awarded the D.S.O. for his abilities in under-sea warfare.
The Executive Officer of the Lucia is Lieut. Commander J. W. Hoskyns.
The four men sentenced by court-martial were: A. B. T. Gratton, three months' hard labour and dismissal; A. B. Edward Towel, six months' hard labour and dismissal; A. B. W. J. A. Wilson, six months' detention; A. B. Joseph Luck, six months' detention.]

TAHITI CAPTAIN PRAISED.

The New Zealand Nautical Court of Inquiry in its report on the loss of the Tahiti in the Pacific last August, says: "Captain A. T. Toten's handling of the situation is worthy of the highest praise. He displayed cool, accurate judgment. The loss is attributed to an unavoidable peril of the sea."

NINE GASED IN A SHIP.

A laster lost his life and eight others were gassed during fumigation operations on board the cargo vessel City of Khartoum, berthed at Elderslie Dock, Glasgow. A fireman discovered the men in their bunks when he went to call the watch.

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YACHTING TRAGEDY

THREE KILLED IN EXPLOSION.

With 135 people on-board, bent on viewing the colourful tropical vegetation under the sea, the glass-bottomed pleasure yacht Eureka II. sailed out from Miami Beach, Florida, on December 14, and within a few hours met with disaster. A fire broke out, followed by two explosions, when the vessel was about 15 miles south of Miami. There was a panic after the first explosion. Women and children ran round the ship, screaming, while some people jumped into the water.

The second explosion threw the remaining passengers headlong into the sea. So far, three dead have been recovered. The number of people missing is reported by various agencies to be from 12 to 22. Before the second explosion some of the passengers fought the flames with water from a drinking tank and from the sea, using any utensils they could find.

Plucky Musicians.
The passengers had been listening to the strains of dance music at the time of the disaster, says the Central News. In the midst of the pandemonium which followed, the musicians stuck to their posts and, helped by a passenger with a saxophone, continued to play jazz music in an effort to still the panic and restore order.

Women who were told to jump overboard were afraid to do so on account of the sharks. The yacht Dorothea, which was cruising nearby, raced to the spot and helped to pick up the passengers. Darkness fell as the Dorothea, packed with survivors, raced towards Miami to fetch assistance.

SOS Calls.
SOS calls were sent out, and fishing craft, coastguard launches, and other yachts belonging to the millionaires rushed to the scene of the disaster, where other passengers still swimming amid the wreckage were taken on board. Many of those taken out of the water had to be separated from

their families, and in more than one case parents tossed their infants aboard the Dorothea and willingly offered to remain in the water waiting for other boats. A number of babies are missing. Her glass bottom broken, the Eureka II. sank in a short time. Mr. G. E. Barrett, master of a fishing vessel, who saved 27 people from the wreck, said to a British United Press correspondent: "We saw the flames coming from the ship and immediately headed for the Eureka. When we reached her we saw men, women and children floundering helplessly in the water and crying frantically for help. We took every person we could carry on board and then headed for Miami."

Baby First.
"One man swam around our boat holding a baby in his arms, begging that the child be taken on board."
"Don't save me, but save my baby," he cried.
The baby was afterwards picked up by the yacht Josephine.
One survivor took his two-year-old child to one of the rescue boats, but refusing to be rescued himself went back to look for his wife. Both were saved later by another craft. All the rescue ships arrived at Miami loaded to the safety line. Eureka II. was one of a number of small motor craft used for short pleasure journeys. She was 64ft. long, with 20ft. beam and had a 25-h.p. engine.

HONG KONG HEIGHTS

For the information of visitors highest points on the Island and the following list of some of the heights is published:—

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*MALWA	10,590	28th Feb.	Marseilles & London.
*ALIPORE	5,273	3rd Mar.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
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*RAWALPINDI	16,619	28th Mar.	Marseilles & London.
*KARMA	9,123	11th Apr.	Mars., Ldon, Hull, R'dam & A'werp.
*RAJPUTANA	15,653	25th Apr.	Marseilles & London.
*SOUDAN	—	2nd May	Marseilles, London, Hull, Hamburg.
*KALYAN	9,144	9th May	Mars., Ldon, Hull, R'dam & A'werp.
*COMORIN	15,132	23rd May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*KASHMIR	8,985	6th June	Mars., Ldon, Hull, R'dam & A'werp.
*RANPURA	15,601	20th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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January 30 to February 5, 1931.

DATE	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER
Jan.	St. mdrd. Times	Ht. Times
Jan. 30	01:34 03:04	04:00 05:30
Jan. 31	01:01 02:31	03:15 04:45
Feb. 1	00:19 01:49	02:33 04:03
Feb. 2	00:00 01:30	02:14 03:44
Feb. 3	00:13 01:43	02:27 03:57
Feb. 4	00:34 02:04	02:48 04:18
Feb. 5	01:01 02:31	03:15 04:45

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T'au via S'ow & S'hai	FOOSHING	Wed., 11th Feb. at 7 a.m.
T'au via S'ow & S'hai	KWANGSANG	Tues., 15th Feb. at 7 a.m.
S'pore, Penang & Calcutta	KUTSANG	Mon., 22nd Feb. at 3 p.m.
S'pore, Penang & Calcutta	YUENSANG	Sat., 14th Feb. at 3 p.m.
S'pore, Penang & Calcutta	MAUSANG	Tues., 3rd Mar. at 3 p.m.
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Ritchard, Mrs. J. O. Richard.

ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Wednesday, January 28.
Hakodate Maru, Japanese str.,
3,226 tons, Capt. S. Hirose,
from Singapore, Kowloon
Wharf—N.Y.K.

Thursday, January 29.
Anking, British str., 2,047 tons,
Capt. R. Ritchie, from Amoy,
buoy No. B8—B. & S.

Haiyang, British str., 1,363 tons,
Capt. W. G. Erwin, from Foo-
chow, Douglas Wharf—Dou-
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Kaga Maru, Japanese str., 3,615
tons, Captain M. Tanji, from
Singapore, buoy No. A6—
N.Y.K.

Newchwing, British str., 1,480 tons,
Capt. F. Gibbs, from Canton,
buoy No. B20—B. & S.

Rangoon Maru, Japanese str., 3,638
tons, Capt. M. Hamada, from
Moji, buoy No. A10—N.Y.K.

Tijmanoeck, Dutch str., 3,510 tons,
Capt. Adriaanse, from Manila,
buoy No. A7—J.C.J.L.

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Capt. J. Thornton, from Sing-
apore, A.P.C. Wharf—A.P.C.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following British warships

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Sterling—North wall.

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Herald—South wall.

Scrapie—East wall.

Seamew—East wall.

Kent—North arm.

Cumberland—West wall.

Osiris—In dock.

Oswald—In dock.

Hermes—No. 1 buoy.

Medway—No. 1 buoy.

Otus—No. 2 buoy.

Odin—No. 2 buoy.

Cornflower—No. 4 buoy.

Stormcloud—No. 5 buoy.

Berwick—No. 6 buoy.

Somme—No. 7 buoy.

Bruce—No. 8 buoy.

Sepoy—No. 10 buoy.

Thracian—No. 12 buoy.

Foreign Man-of-War.

Adamastor—Portuguese cruiser.

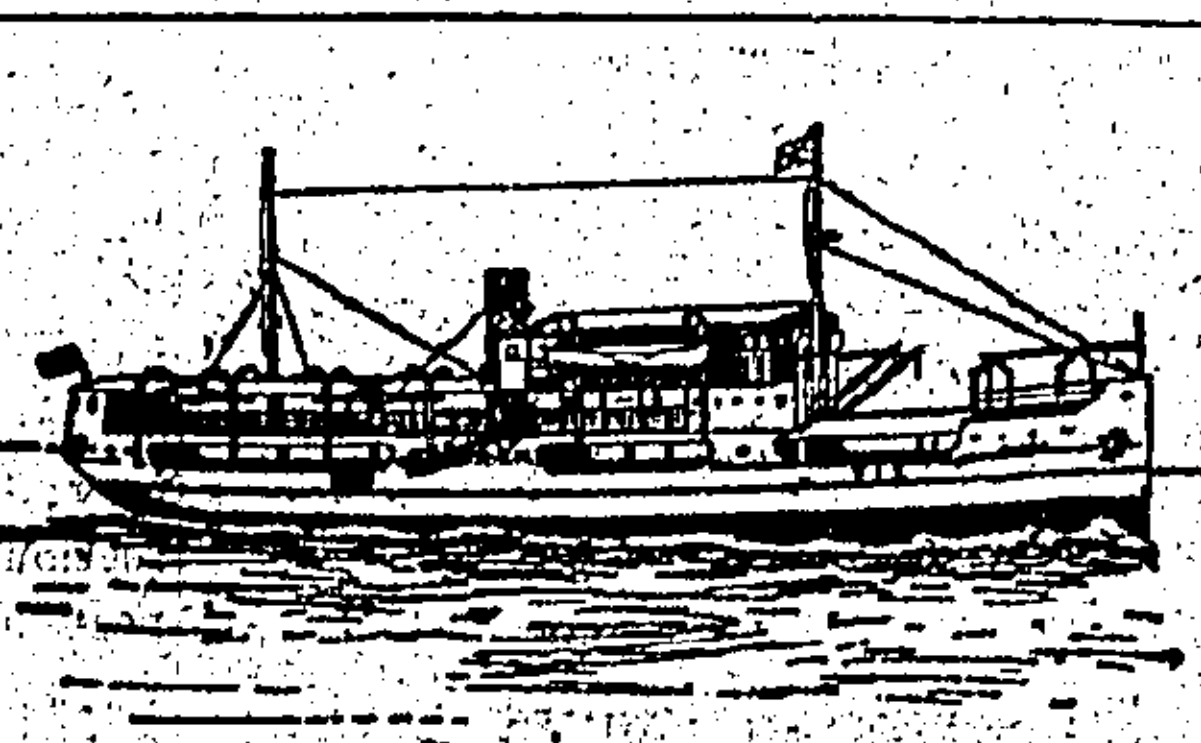
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BIRTH.

ROWELL.—At the Victoria Hos-
pital, on January 30, 1931, to
Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Rowell, a
daughter.

DEATH.

GOMES.—At No. 10, Austin
Avenue at 2.15 a.m. on Janu-
ary 30, 1931, Francisco
Theomito Gomes.—Funeral
will pass the Monument to-
day at 5.30 p.m. (Shanghai,
Manila and Macao papers
please copy.)

Hong Kong, Friday, Jan. 30, 1931.

TOO MANY SCHOOLS.

"A little learning is a danger-
ous thing," wrote Pope, and it is
a saying which may be applied
very fitly to the condition of
education in Hong Kong. There
is little gravity at fault with
either the teaching or the teachers
of schools under direct Govern-
ment supervision which receive
subsidies or grants. True, the
standard might be higher,
the qualifications of some of
the teachers better, and the
results as shown by examina-
tions more satisfactory; but this
is a state of perfection which it
is unfair to expect in a Colony
far removed from academic
centres. The Government schools
are conducted on the average
much better than are similar
institutions at Home—County
and borough schools, and the
like—and if one does occasion-
ally hear a lift-boy declaim
with some pride that he was
at such-and-such a college, it
is kinder to regard him as an
exception.

At the moment we are not
concerned with Government schools,

but with those sporadic "houses
of education" which crop up with
the abundance of mushrooms and
which seem to teach their disciples
a little of everything but nothing
in particular. To continue the
metaphor, they rise almost in a
night: a house that has long
been empty suddenly shows to all
who pass by, in immense letters,
that not only the "three r's," but
other mysteries besides, are "in-
stilled into the minds of the
young" at a moderate fee.

According to the Hong Kong
Dollar Directory there are 612,310
Chinese in the Colony, at least ten
per cent. of whom must be be-
tween the ages of ten and sixteen,
but the Directory gives the names
of thirty-three schools only. At
first sight this would seem most
inadequate, until one considers
that there are hundreds of un-
known and unheralded schools in
the Colony some of which do not
even advertise in the equally
numerous Chinese newspapers.
There are night schools and day
schools, typewriting schools and
handwriting schools, political
schools and technical schools,
"private" schools and "public"
schools, and some which cater
for deportment and some which
purport to teach graces and fine
speech. If appearances were to
count for anything, this Colony of
ours should be overcrowded with
specialists in every department
of life, but, if it is, it has escap-
ed our notice. Manners seem to
have depreciated rather than
otherwise, or perhaps they have
been washed away by this over-
whelming flood of education, as a
useless and inelegant sub-soll in
which no plant of deep thought or
academic lustre can grow to per-
fection. Efficiency, too, would
seem to be more or less where it
was thirty years ago, so that the
plumber not only forgets his
tools, but the shopkeeper his
change, and the office boy to post
our letters; but perhaps efficiency
is an americanism hard to recon-
cile with the classics. Of night
schools, the only evidence of at-
tendance at them, in our experi-
ence at least, is a drugged and
sleepy look and a body which,
even though it may be in the con-
trol of an excellent mind, shows
itself singularly unwillingly to
obey it. As for the other virtues
which these schools presume to
"impart," they are, as the circum-
locutions but handy phrase has it,
"conspicuous by their absence."

We are eager to praise the
thirst for knowledge which urges
young men to put their dollars in
the treasuries of these academies;
and if they were able to show that
they had turned their money to
good account we should be filled

with admiration and perhaps awe.
But we must sadly confess that
the results seldom justify, in our
opinion, the price that might
have been so worthily paid. It
would seem that these young men
do not always get value for their
money. They attend lectures or
classes, we are aware, and per-
haps write and read under the
eagle eye of the master and re-
ceive at the end of the term a
highly embellished certificate or
diploma. Unfortunately these
documents are rarely worth more
than the paper on which they are
printed, which is expensive and
glossy and showy enough. If
subjects of any usefulness are
taught at these schools, either the
students have an utter incapacity
for understanding them, or they
are not taught in the best possi-
ble manner. We suspect that the
methods are sometimes haphazard
and lacking in thoroughness, and
that the absence of proper super-
vision leads the tutorial staff, or
president, or managers of the
school to regard their obligations
with a detachment admirable in a
philosopher but not in those who
have the destinies and future
careers of adolescents in their con-
trol.

If our purely superficial re-
marks, which no more than touch
the surface of the evil, result in
the Government setting up a
Board or commission to enquire
into the manner in which these
schools are conducted, the
methods of teaching and the
nature of the matter taught, we
shall feel, in the words of the dog-
gerel, "some thing attempted,
some thing done," by having raised
the blinds of these numerous
and pernicious establishments.

News in Brief.

One case of diphtheria was not-
ified from Kowloon yesterday.

Quarantine restrictions have been
imposed against arrivals from
Bangkok on account of plague.

In celebration of 50 years' ser-
vice the Canadian Pacific have
issued a useful wall calendar for
1931.

The lowest open air temperature
yesterday was 59 degrees. The
humidity at 10 a.m. was 62 degrees
and at 4 p.m. 64 degrees.

Stated to have five mace of opium
concealed in his stocking in Temple
Street yesterday, Li Ki-kuen was
at the Kowloon Magistracy this
morning fined \$40 or three weeks
jail.

Whilst on a visit to a friend's
house at 14 Granville Road, Eleanor
Gonsalves, aged ten years, and re-
siding at 558, Nathan Road, was
bitten in the left cheek by a dog
owned by Master H. H. Xavier.

The estate of Wong Tai-yan, who
died intestate in Canton on Febru-
ary 19, 1929, has been proved for
probate at \$48,500. Letters of
administration have been granted
to his eldest son, Wong Wing-dick.

Two stayaways at the Kowloon
Magistracy this morning were
fined \$60 or one month's imprison-
ment. The two men were un-
employed Chinese, and pleaded
guilty to staying away on the s.s.
Tijmanook, from Manila.

Entrusting a foki of the Wing
Tai Shing shop to collect \$500 on
his behalf yesterday, Li Suk-fai,
master of the Chi San piece goods
shop, 45 Jervois Street, has reported
to the Police that the foki failed
to return with the money.

The master of the s.s. Kulsang
has reported to the Water Police
that at about 4.30 p.m. yesterday,
a Chinese coolie named Wong Yung
(23) received injuries to his head
whilst working on board the
steamer. His condition is reported
to be serious.

The Chief Officer of the
C.P.S.R.M.S. Empress of Asia,
which is lying at the Kowloon
Docks, has reported to the Police
that messenger boy Winnie, aged
19 years, fell down the fore peak
hold yesterday, from a height of
about 40 feet. He was attended
by the ship's doctor and later con-
veyed to the Kowloon Hospital.

For the theft of several yards of
blue bunting from the Royal Naval
Dockyard, a Chinese was at the
Central Magistracy this morning
sentenced to three weeks' hard
labour. Defendant stated that he
picked the stuff up in a rubbish
heap, whereupon his Worship re-
marked: "You don't find bunting
like that in a rubbish heap."

The British Consul-General in
Canton informs the General
Chamber of Commerce that he is in
receipt of a telegram from the
Chairman of the British Economic
Mission stating that the Submission
is now called the Cotton Mission
and should never be referred to by
its former name.

The Hon. Mr. Tye Chuan-gen
alias Kwai-to, member of the
Executive Committee of the
National Government, President of
the Examination Yuan, ex-Chan-
cellor of Dr. Sun Yat Sen's Univer-
sity of Canton, is giving a public
lecture on "The Value of Chinese
Literature and its Position in the
Cultural World" to the Chinese
Society of the University of Hong
Kong to-day, at 5.15 p.m. in
the Great Hall.

Mr. A. E. Steed who has recently
arrived from Shanghai, has been
appointed Art Director of Milling-
ton, Limited, Hong Kong Branch,
as from to-day by the Managing
Director, who is at present visiting
the Colony. Mr. Steed only recently
arrived in Shanghai from Lon-
don, where he was engaged in or-
ganising advertising campaigns and
designing publicity matter for lead-
ing national advertisers in Great
Britain. Mr. Steed's ability as a
poster artist in London brought him
in contact with some of the largest
agencies in that city and he is
undoubtedly a great acquisition to
the Hong Kong branch of the firm.
He will have charge of the design-
ing of the displays in the Peak
Trams and Stations. Mr. Steed's
qualifications were recognised upon
his arrival in Shanghai and he was
soon appointed Studio Manager.

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The community is grateful to the
Westminster Glee Singers for yet
another delightful concert last
night, in the course of which the
beauties of English and Scottish
ballad music, and old English folk
songs, were made evident. It is
quite easy to understand that
Americans received the folk
songs with acclamation, (as Mr.
Edward Branscombe informed us);
they revive a type of melody that
has been all too long neglected.

In a series of offerings of
sustained excellence, perhaps the
cycle of Scottish songs, given by
the Singers, made the strongest im-
pression upon an enthusiastic
audience. One particularly ad-
mired "Will Ye No Come Back
Again," most sympathetically sung,
and "Turn Ye To Me," in which the
modulations were exquisite.

Mr. Albert Greene, with the
chorus, was encored for his robust
singing of sailor shanties, and later
sang a great merriment with a
Somersetshire folk song, "Young
Richard," and as an encore, an
oddy entitled "The Tithe Pig." These
items constituted part of a
group of Old English folk songs
which were beautiful in their very
simplicity.

Master Desmond White deserves
a special word of commendation for
his singing of "Killarney," which
is old enough to be new again, and
which is so eminently fitted to a
boy's treble. Another old favourite,
given as an encore was "Love was
Once a Little Boy." Master White
has a very true and sweet voice, and
he produces his high notes without
the slightest indication of forcing.

The Scottish songs by members
of the company were greatly ap-
preciated, as was the old Irish air,
"The Meeting of the Waters,"
effectively rendered by Mr. Ernest
McKinlay, with accompaniment of
voices.

—W.A.B.

UNDESIRABLE GERMAN FILMS.

Protest by French
Patriots.

Paris, Dec. 12.

The League des Patriotes issues
an appeal to the Paris Police
Chief to prohibit a series of films
which they allege to be subversive
to patriotism and morals. The
appeal states in general terms that
most of these films are German,
which is strongly resented by ob-
jective persons connected with the
cinema industry. The Police
Chief has prohibited one doubtful
picture sending it for revision by
the film-censorship-board.

LORD BIRKENHEAD'S LIBRARY.

Sale Realizes
\$6,000.

London, Dec. 17.
The sale of Lord Birkenhead's
library has ended. It has yielded
about \$6,000.

This year Nova Scotia will pro-
duce its finest crop of potatoes since
1916 in the opinion of Fred B.
Kinman, Federal Superintendent of
Illustration Stations for the
Province.

FINED FOR MORPHIA
INJECTIONS.Three Chinese Addicts
in Police Court.

Kuala Lumpur, Dec. 31.

As a sequel to the discovery by
Customs Officers of syringes and
morphia in a house here, two Chin-
ese have been fined \$200, or in de-
fault three months' imprisonment,
and a third man \$50, or one month
in default.

All three were ricksha pullers,
and were the occupiers of a house
in which injections were given.

Dr. G. T. Edward, Assistant
Medical Officer, General Hospital,
said that on December 23, five
Chinese were brought to him for
examination. He found that all the
five had injection marks. Some of
them had so many that it seemed
that they had been frequently in-
jected for a long time. At the time
of examination none of them was
under the influence of morphia. He
could not say whether the marks
were marks of morphia injection.
In hospital a very fine quality of
morphia was being used for the
purpose of injecting patients, and
usually after injection no marks
were left behind. In the present
case the men must have used a
crude form of morphia to have had
so many marks on their bodies.
Several men had marks of injection
on both thighs.

In reply to the Magistrate, wit-
ness stated that among people like
the accused crude opium or morphia
injection was quite common.

Mr. A. H. Gridley, of the Cus-
toms Department, gave evidence
that he and two Malay officers went
to a house at 2nd mile, Pahang
Road, where a search was made. In
a sort of shelf, high up on the wall,
just beneath the ceiling, one of the
Malay officers found a cylinder and
plunge, otherwise known as a
syringe, kept in a piece of bamboo
cut in two. Two small packets of
drugs and another syringe were
also discovered. The men in the
house, eight in number, including
accused, were arrested and the ex-
hibits were sent to the chemist for
analysis. It was certified by the
chemist that there were traces of
morphia in the drugs.

Customary in China.
Sim Pee, one of the men who had
numerous marks denied having
been injected in Malaya, but he
admitted having been injected in
China about a year ago. In his
native land, the majority of the
inhabitants underwent such in-
jections, and he simply followed their
example. With what he was injected
he could not say, but he was
sure that after an injection he felt
a little better and brighter. Opium
smokers used to suffer from
stomach ache, and an injection
usually relieved them of their
pain. Injection was
customary in his village,
and if one examined a new
arrival from his native place, one
would find marks on his body.

Ten Ah-po, the first accused, said
that he had been vomiting blood
and suffering from pain on the
chest and the stomach for a long
time. All the exhibits were given
to him by a friend, who told him
that he could be cured if he injected
himself with the drug. He ad-
mitted that he was the occupier of
the house, but he denied having used it
for the purpose of administering
morphia to customers. He only in-
jected himself. He did not know
that his friends had marks on their
bodies until they showed them in
the Court.

Ng Mung-king, the second ac-
cused, said the exhibits did not
belong to him, and that he had not
injected anybody.

Lu Pong, the third accused, said
he knew nothing about the exhibits.
He admitted that he had been in-
jected in China.

Mr. Gridley said that the offence
was a very serious one. Even if a
person administered morphia to
himself, he was liable to be fined
\$5,000 or sentenced to three years.
If an over dose of the drug had
been injected to a person, he might
have died.

The Magistrate passed sentence
as already stated, and warned the
others who had been arrested to-
gether with the accused, that in
future they would be heavily fined
or sentenced to prison even for
being injected.

The Toronto Industrial Commis-
sion announces a new industry es-
tablished by local men, the Toronto
Macaroni Manufacturing Company,
to make macaroni and spaghetti.
The partners are Italian residents
of the city, Alfredo Sordani, J.
Ricci and Enrico Bernaschi.

Ten Years Ago.

From the "China Mail" of
January 30, 1921.

To-day's dollar is worth 2/7.3/16.

At the unveiling of the War
Memorial, in St. John's Cathedral
to-morrow, at 10.30 a.m. a collec-
tion will be made for Queen
Mary's Home for Disabled Men.

CIVIL SERVANTS' SALARIES

Legislative Council's Unanimous Vote.

UNOFFICIAL APPRECIATION.

At the meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday, the first of the present year, His Excellency the Governor indicated in his speech that the financial position of the Colony is very serious, but stated that he was a chronic optimist and still trusted that the dollar might make some recovery.

His Excellency's speech followed one made by the Hon. C. G. S. Mackie, who, speaking on the question of exchange rate of sterling salaries, thanked His Excellency for bringing about the modification of the resolution passed on June 19.

Those present were:—

H.E. the Governor, Sir William Peel, K.C.M.G., K.B.E.
The Officer Commanding the Troops, Colonel R. E. Cousins.
Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., O.B.E. (Attorney-General).
Hon. Mr. A. E. Wood (Secretary for Chinese Affairs).
Hon. Mr. C. McI. Messer, O.B.E. (Colonial Treasurer).
Hon. Mr. H. T. Cressy, C.B.E. (Director of Public Works).
Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G. (Inspector-General of Police).
Hon. Comdr. G. F. Hole, R.N., retired (Harbour Master).
Hon. Dr. A. R. Wellington (Director of Medical and Sanitary Services).
Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, Kt.
Hon. Mr. R. H. Ketewall, C.M.G., LL.D.
Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga.
Hon. Mr. S. W. T'so, O.B.E., LL.D.
Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie.
Mr. N. L. Smith (Deputy Clerk of Councils).
Colonel Cousins took the oath on taking his seat on the Council as the officer Commanding the Troops. In opening the meeting His Excellency said:—
As this is the first meeting of the Council this year, it is necessary to appoint the Standing Law Committee. I propose to appoint the following members who have agreed to serve:—
Hon. Attorney-General (Chairman).
Hon. Colonial Treasurer.
Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shepton.
Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes.
Hon. Mr. S. W. T'so, O.B.E., LL.D.



"Are you engaged yet?"
"I may be—I haven't seen my matrimonial agent for a week."
Nagels Lustige Welt, Berlin.

The Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow then said:—

Sir,—At this first meeting of the Legislative Council since the New Year honours were announced, may I, on behalf of my unofficial colleagues, tender our hearty congratulations to Your Excellency upon the further honour which His Majesty the King has conferred on you. I may add that this honour has given great satisfaction to all sections of the community in whose name we, the unofficial members, also offer respectful congratulations.—(Applause).

Replying, H.E. the Governor said: Gentlemen,—I thank you most sincerely for the kind congratulations conveyed to me through my honourable friend who has just spoken. While appreciating the personal compliments which His Majesty the King has been pleased to confer on me I feel it is in a large measure an honour conferred on the Colony of which I have the privilege to be Governor. If it is a recognition of any services I have rendered, I realise that such service is only possible through the help and advice of honourable members here and other members of the community.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary then moved:—

That this Council approves the modification of its resolution of June 19, 1930, on the Salaries Commission Report (set out on page 58 of the Hong Kong Hansard for 1930) by the addition thereto of the following proviso:—

Provided that, as from the 1st January, 1931, and until the question of the exchange rate of sterling salaries paid to Government servants while serving in the Colony is next reviewed and until such time as the Council approves that such salaries be paid as to have thereof at the rate of 1/6 to the dollar and as to the other half at the prevailing Hong Kong Treasury rate.

In presenting the motion he said: The resolution now to be put to

the Council implements the promise made by His Excellency at the meeting of the Legislative Council on October 20, 1930, when subject to the approval of the Secretary of State he engaged to accept the suggestion of the Hon. Mr. Paul Lauder, in connection with the exchange rate for sterling salaries, which you are now asked to approve. The Secretary of State has enabled his approval and has added the proviso that in view of the uncertainty of the dollar exchange it should be made clear that the Government will review the question from time to time, and it will be noticed that this point is embodied in the resolution.

The Hon. Colonial Treasurer seconded.
Hon. Mr. Gordon Mackie: The unofficial members of this Council are greatly indebted to Your Excellency for bringing about the modification of the resolution passed on June 19 last. They appreciate the very fair attitude you have adopted in connection with this matter. Provided the modification is adhered to, I do not anticipate there will be any further public controversy on the subject.

The basis on which salaries are to be paid under the new arrangement compares very favourably with the exchange compensation granted by most of the commercial houses here. Possibly some of the members of the Civil Service may feel that they have a grievance as they will be in a somewhat worse position than they would have been had the original resolution remained in force. I feel certain, however, they will accept the decision of the Colonial Office in the right spirit, for all must realise that sacrifices are absolutely essential during the present world wide depression.

His Excellency the Governor:—I thank the Honourable Member for his words of appreciation. I feel that the step had to be taken, but I regret very much that circumstances have rendered it necessary. I am sure that it will be appreciated that the proposal entails a measure of disappointment to many members of the Government service, and that there will be cases in which some hardship will be caused. It can hardly be denied, however, that the payment of salaries at the current rate of exchange, with the dollar as low as it is to-day, would have placed them in a more favourable position than was anticipated, or could reasonably be expected by them. There is also no doubt that, if it had been foreseen that the dollar would go as low as it has done, the Salaries Commission would have modified very considerably their recommendations. I sincerely trust, therefore, that Government servants will accept the position in a true spirit of loyalty, and will realise that this step is absolutely imperative.

The financial position, unless the dollar rises appreciably, is very serious indeed. It is calculated that the sterling commitments, in the approved Budget for this year, amount to £677,778. This, for the purposes of the Budget, was converted at the rate of 1/4 to the dollar. If the dollar were to average 1/6 for the current year, a sum of \$3,388,861 would have to be added to the expenditure figures. This, with the deficit actually shown in the approved Budget, which amounted to \$2,299,096, would, in spite of increased taxation, make a total deficiency of \$5,687,957—a sum perilously near our present surplus. With the dollar at 1/4, the deficit would further be increased by approximately 1 1/2 million. By the adoption of the half and half rate of payment proposed by the resolution this afternoon, it will be possible to reduce the deficit of \$5,687,957 by over a million. I cannot give the exact figure, as it depends partly on the number of officers on leave, who will of course draw their actual sterling salaries in Britain.

I would add that this serious position has been reached in spite of a ruthless pruning of the Estimates and the postponement of many desirable works. Investigation is being made as to whether further economies or postponements can be made. I am a chronic

optimist, and still trust that the dollar may make some recovery, but there are many who take an opposite view. I should like to say that, as Honourable Members are aware, the report of the Currency Commission was sent home some months ago, and is being considered by the experts. I trust that we may have some information from them before long. The question, however, is extraordinarily difficult, and it must be remembered that Hong Kong is only a small part of a large fabric which is seriously affected by the price of silver, and that, so far as we can see, it would be impossible for Hong Kong to attempt to take action independently of the rest of the fabric. Meanwhile we can only be patient and hope for improved conditions throughout the world in general.

The resolution was passed.

New Bills.

Five new bills passed their first reading yesterday at the meeting of the Legislative Council. They were as follows:—

1.—A Bill to provide for the registration of nurses for the sick.
2.—A Bill to amend further the Widows' and Orphans' Pension Ordinance, 1908.

3.—A Bill to amend the Public Health and Building Ordinance, 1903, and an enactment referring thereto.

4.—A Bill to make provision for taking from time to time the Census of the Colony.

5.—A Bill to amend the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899.

In moving the first Bill, the Attorney-General said that, as stated in the memorandum of objects and reasons attached, the Bill was based on an English Act, the Nurses Registration Act of 1919. It had been submitted to the Nursing authority in England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland, and their recommendations were incorporated in it.

In moving the Bill relating to pensions, he stated that the objects and reasons attached were self-explanatory.

In moving the third Bill, the Attorney-General said that when it is passed it will repeal Section 70 of the principal Ordinance which had to do with the seizure of unmarked meat.

Concerning the Census, he explained that it was intended to take the Census this year and that the present Bill repealed an antiquated Ordinance of 1881.

Coming to the amendment of the Merchant Shipping Ordinance the Attorney-General said that the Bill revised and increased the fees in connection with the engagement and discharge of crews which are contained in Table I of the principal Ordinance and also made minor amendments to Table J.

SUPPLEMENTARY VOTES.

Passed By The Finance Committee.

The Finance Committee, which met following the meeting of the Legislative Council, approved votes totalling \$21,448, covering Supplementary votes for both 1930 and 1931 estimates.

In regard to an item for \$2,600 required for a Rota print machine the Hon. Mr. Braga said:—I am afraid, Sir, for the reason I explained in connection with the lino-type machine, I have formally to record my vote against this item of \$2,600.

Kowloon Traffic Circus.

An item for \$3,328 required for improvement at the traffic circus at Tsimshatsui, was questioned by Mr. Braga who asked: What is the saving in regard to 'Playing Field sub-head 22?' I take it that there will be \$1,000 which will be used in connection with the traffic circus.

Hon. Colonial Secretary: That

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN CHINA MAIL.

Social Functions.

To-day—Tea Dance at Hong Kong Hotel.

To-night—Dinner Dances at Peninsula and Hong Kong Hotels.

To-morrow—Social at Helena May Institute, Kowloon.

To-morrow—Annual Concert and Dance, Morrison Hall, University.

Monday—Whist Drive, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 8.45 p.m.

Entertainments.

To-night—Theatre Royal, "Westminster Glee Singers."

To-day—Queen's Theatre, "Man Trouble."

To-day—Central Theatre, "Thunderbolt."

To-day—Majestic Theatre, "Her Private Life."

To-day—World Theatre, "Mother Love."

To-day—Star Theatre, "The Little Adventurer."

To-morrow—Theatre Royal, Westminster Glee Singers, (matinee), 3 p.m.

Home Malls.

To-day—Inward from Europe via Siberia (Comorin); from Europe via Suez (Malwa); from America and ports (President McKinley); Outward for Europe via Siberia (Malwa), 6 p.m.

Land Sales.

Monday—At P.W.D. Offices, three lots of Crown land, 3 p.m.

Sports.

See Diary on Page 8.

Meeting.

February 10—H. K. Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd., ordinary meeting, Messrs Jardine Matheson's Offices, 12.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous.

Monday—Annual Inspection of St. John Ambulance Brigade, South China Athletic Football Ground, 5.15 p.m.

February 19—Entries close for Horticultural Society's Annual Show of Flowers and Vegetables, noon.

February 25—Horticultural Society's Annual Show of Flowers and Vegetables, City Hall.

TONG SECRETS TO BE REVEALED

Promise Saves Murderer From The Electric Chair.

New York, Jan. 6.

Thomas Wong, who is half Chinese and half Caucasian, today escaped the electric chair by giving a promise to reveal the innermost secrets of the Tong or Chinese secret societies as they exist in the United States.

Wong traded his promise after he had been sentenced to death for murder. A member of the On Leung Tong, Wong was convicted of the murder of a member of the Hip Sing Tong.

Police in many American cities, such as San Francisco, Boston, Chicago and New York for many years have been troubled from time to time by the bitter and sometimes bloody warfare which breaks out between rival tong.

Peace pact after peace pact has been signed by the tong leaders only to be broken when the rivalry grows too intense.

From Wong the police hope to obtain information which will make it easier for them to deal with the tongs and to prevent shootings and stabbings by rival tong members.—United Press.

Is what it look like to me, Mr. Braga.

Mr. Braga: I would like to know why the recommendations of the Playing Fields Committee have been turned down. Are their recommendations going to be carried out?

Colonial Secretary: I am afraid they must be relegated.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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SERIOUS COLLISION IN SINGAPORE.

Both Ships Sustain Damage.

A serious collision occurred in the outer roads of Singapore Harbour on January 15, when the s.s. Silvermaple, commanded by Capt. Chivers, ran into the hulk Arratoon Apar in the quarantine anchorage. As no official reports have yet been completed little is known about the mishap, but it appears that Silvermaple was proceeding on her voyage to Calcutta when she ran head-on into the hulk, hitting her towards the stern, says the Straits Times.

The Silvermaple is understood to have sustained rather severe damage to her bows, and was unable to proceed on her voyage, and the Arratoon Apar is thought to be making water. Neither vessel was in danger of sinking, but the full extent of the damage will not be known until after the surveyors have made their report.

The Arratoon Apar, which is owned by the B.I. line was built in 1896. She has a gross tonnage of 4,510, with a length of 410 feet, beam of 48 feet and moulded depth of 27 feet. She has been out of commission for some time, and has been utilised by the owners as a hulk in the quarantine anchorage for the purpose of transferring deck passengers from suspected infected ships in order to relieve the congestion on St. John's Island.

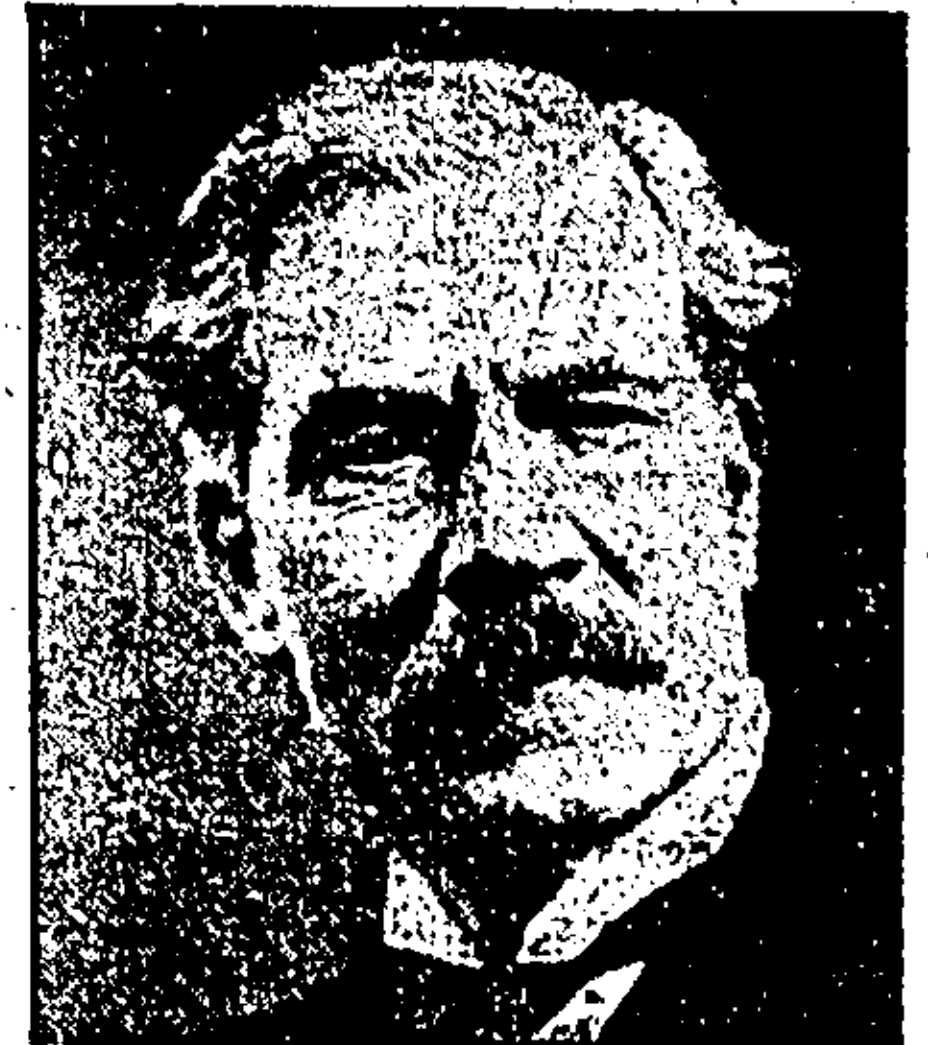
The Silvermaple is quite a new vessel, being built in Sunderland towards the end of 1927. She is 5,302 tons gross, with a length of about 426 feet, beam of 58 feet and depth of 28 feet. She is a steel-screw motor-vessel engaged in the cargo trade, and owned by the Silver Line Ltd.

An increase of more than a hundred per cent. in blueberry shipments from the Macan district in Cumberland county is recorded this year, the number of crates sent being 9,796 or 313,000 boxes, as compared with 4,159 crates last year. The price averaged \$2.25 per crate.

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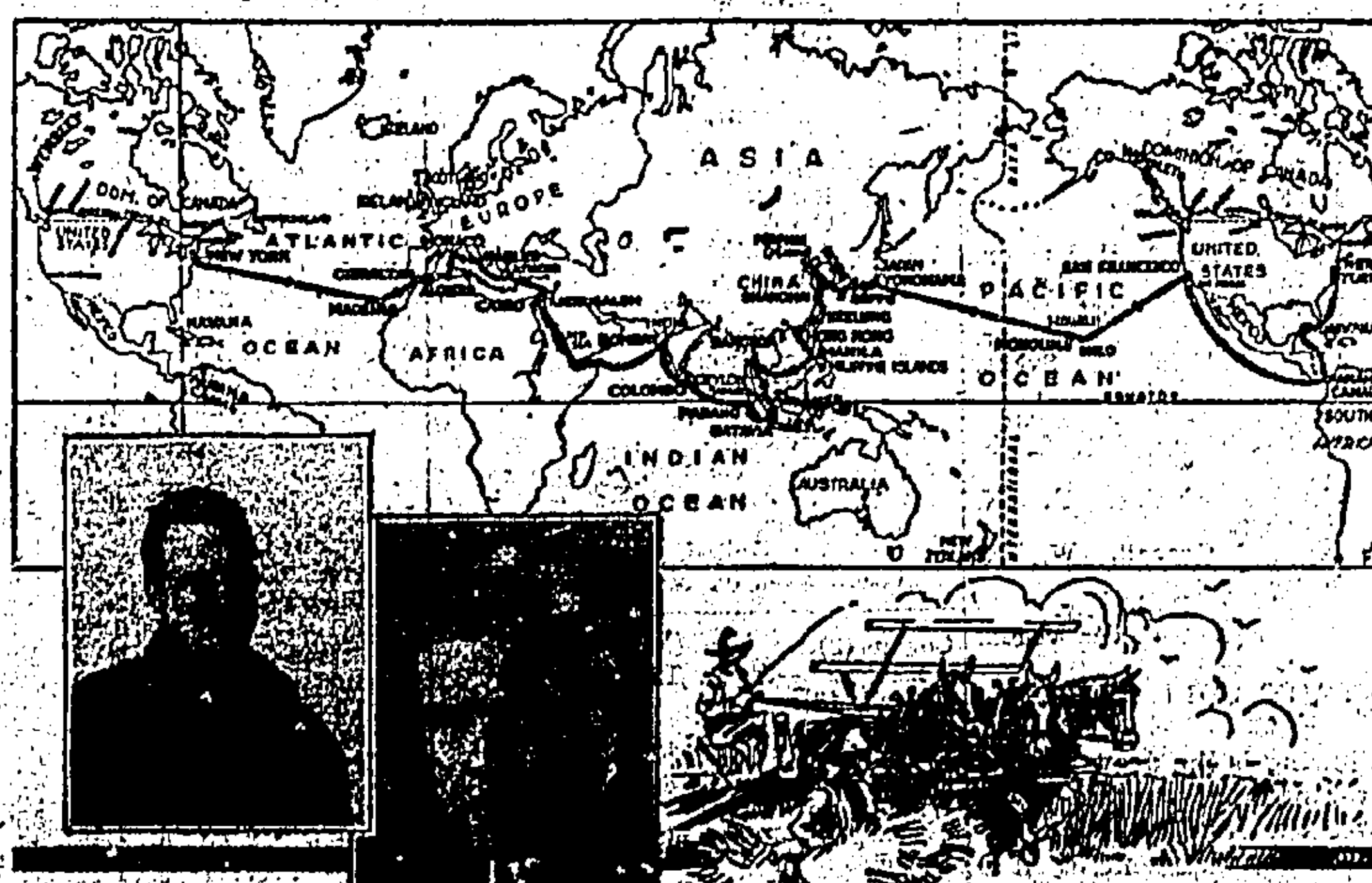
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LOCAL

GOLF—To-day—First Round of Captain's Cup (Ladies); Fourth Round of Taggart Cup. To-morrow—Governor's Shield—Semi-Finals. Sunday—Second Round Junior Championship, Fanning. Tuesday—Second Round of Ross Cup. February 10—Junior Section, Championship, R.H.K.G.C. (First round). CHESS—To-day—Kowloon Chess Club Championship. Tuesday—Kowloon Chess Club Championship. FOOTBALL—To-morrow—Lai Wah Cup Final—Chinese v. Chinese; 2nd Division—Navy v. Club; Eastern v. St. Joseph's; Borderers v. Royal Artillery, Chinese Athletic v. Kowloon F.C., Argyle v. South China, Club de Recreo v. University; Third Division—Royal Engineers v. R.A.S.C., Royal Air Force v. R.A.O.C., Chinese Athletic v. Borderers, South China v. Ewo.

HOCKEY—To-morrow—Caer Cup—H.K.L.H.C. v. Diocesan Girls' School; St. Andrew's Club v. Club de Recreo. Monday—Army v. Navy (Sim Shield). February 9—Army v. Navy (Sim Shield). FANLING HUNT—To-morrow—Sun Wai Camp. Sunday—Paper Hunt, Potts's Bungalow, 3.15 p.m. Wednesday—Potts's Bungalow, 3.15 p.m. CRICKET—To-morrow—Division I—K.C.C. v. Navy (L.); University v. Craigengower C.C. (L.); Indian R.C. v. Royal Artillery (P.); Hong Kong C.C. Married v. Singles; Division II: Royal Engineers v. Civil Service C.C. (L.); Club de Recreo v. Kowloon C.C. (L.). Sunday—K.C.C. v. Volunteers, 11 a.m. FENCING—Monday—Fencing Club Meeting, Yacht Club, 6.15 p.m.

HOME

FOOTBALL—To-morrow—Scottish Cup—Second Round. February 14—English Cup—Fifth Round. February 21—Ireland v. Scotland.

GOLF.

STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY.

The Royal Hong Kong Golf Club notifies the following starting time for Sunday at Fanning:— 8.55 a.m. C. H. M. Andrew, A. J. R. Wolf. 9.00 J. S. MacLaren, J. Smith. 9.05 C. B. Briggs, G. B. S. Thomas. 9.16 Not to be booked. 9.20 K. S. Robertson, T. Grant. 9.24 E. Nash, J. E. Richardson. 9.28 L. G. S. Dodwell, J. H. Raikes. 9.32 C. E. Holmes, S. J. H. Fox. 9.35 C. I. Bowker, M. G. Mills. 9.40 R. K. Valentine, W. J. Clerk. 9.44 A. D. Humphreys, G. B. Dunnet. 9.48 J. P. Warren, D. F. C. Cleland. 9.52 J. W. Alabaster, D. Lyon. 9.55 R. A. Stuart, W. C. Clark. 10.00 R. E. Atwell, E. P. White. 10.04 G. A. Leiper, J. H. Ashworth. 11.08 T. S. Marshall, G. Walsh. 11.12 W. Kerr, W. S. Hillier. 11.16 R. M. Henderson, J. M. Walker. 11.20 C. B. Brown, R. W. Taplin. 11.24 R. Ross, J. B. Lanyon. 11.28 I. Allison, W. Mulcahy. 11.32 A. H. Penn, J. R. Collis. 11.36 E. K. Williams, S. C. Feltham. 11.40 J. R. Masson, J. D. H. Crawford. 11.44 W. D. Harris, H. P. Bailey. 11.48 Dr. Nicholson, T. S. Morrison. 11.52 V. J. Atkins, P. H. Suckling. 11.56 T. S. Whyte-Smith, D. J. Summers. 12.00 D. S. Robb, B. D. Evans. 12.04 W. W. Mackenzie, A. C. Ellis. 12.08 L. J. Blackburn, A. G. Coppin. 12.12 G. W. Jefferys, J. Coalthart. 12.16 A. Campbell, H. Hampton. 12.20 E. P. Fletcher, G. T. May. 12.24 H. U. Ireland, A. B. Purves. 12.28 E. Stone, J. P. Sherry. 12.32 O. E. C. Marton, L. R. Andrews. 12.36 A. Ritchie, C. H. Burton. 12.40 D. J. Keogh, J. Jones. 12.44 A. C. Meredith, G. S. Hankinson. 12.48 A. Leach, N. K. Littlejohn. 12.52 C. Brown, H. Shrubsole. 12.56 H. Lowe, I. Yates. 1.00 Noon O. Mager, W. R. Vallance. 1.04 C. M. Goe, L. H. Ruffin. 1.08 H. R. Forsyth, E. M. Bryden. 1.12 J. R. MacFarlan, R. E. Indell. 1.16 H. C. Gould, A. H. Monson. 1.20 J. G. Campbell, J. Forbes. 1.24 R. Stock, J. Hight. 1.28 H. Spicer, R. M. Chaloner. 1.32 W. J. Riddiford, F. Sykes. 1.36 Dorey, J. S. Edwards. 1.40 T. Low, D. S. Edwards. 1.44 G. C. Johnson, R. L. B. Webb. 1.48 W. C. Shields, R. K. Hepburn. 1.52 P. M. Goodall, W. N. Smalley. 1.56 R. Forbes, R. Young. 2.00 N. Croucher, E. des Voeux.

11.08 T. S. Marshall, G. Walsh.

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11.32 A. H. Penn, J. R. Collis.

11.36 E. K. Williams, S. C. Feltham.

11.40 J. R. Masson, J. D. H. Crawford.

11.44 W. D. Harris, H. P. Bailey.

11.48 Dr. Nicholson, T. S. Morrison.

11.52 V. J. Atkins, P. H. Suckling.

11.56 T. S. Whyte-Smith, D. J. Summers.

12.00 D. S. Robb, B. D. Evans.

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KOWLOON GOLF CLUB

The following is the draw for the married versus singles match to be played over the Kowloon course to-morrow Saturday commencing at 2 p.m. Singles will be played over the first nine holes and foursomes over the second nine holes. 2 p.m. F. E. Remond (8) v. J. Mackintosh (4). 2.05 p.m. D. D. Bore (8) v. Dr. Hunter (7). (Continued at foot of next column)

Sport Columns

ENGLISH LEAGUE MATCHES.

Preston N. & E. Draw at Home.

BARROW DEFEAT CREWE.

Two matches in the English League were played yesterday. In the Second Division Preston North-End, playing at home, had to be content with a division of the points with Bradford. In the Northern Section of the Third Division Barrow picked up a couple of welcome points at the expense of Crewe Alexandra. Results as cabled by Reuters:—

Division II. Preston N.E. 1 Bradford 1 Division III—Northern. Barrow 2 Crewe 0

Who'll Win.

TO-MORROW'S LEAGUE GAMES AND CUP TIES.

(Exclusive to China Mail—By "Linesman.")

The following is a list of Home football matches to-morrow. The teams in black type may win; where no black type is shown the match may result in a draw:

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division I. Arsenal v. Birmingham. Aston Villa v. Middlesbrough. Blackburn v. Leicester C. Blackpool v. Sunderland. Chelsea v. Liverpool. Huddersfield v. Manchester U. Huddersfield v. Leeds U. Manchester C. v. Derby C. Newcastle U. v. Bolton. Portsmouth v. Sheffield U. Sheffield W. v. West Ham. Division II. Bradford v. Burnley. Bristol C. v. Port Vale. Bury v. Charlton. Cardiff v. Bradford C. Middlesbrough v. Tottenham. Oldham v. Notts For. Plymouth v. West Brom. Reading v. Swansea. Stoke v. Preston N.E. Wolves v. Southampton.

Division III—Southern. Brentford v. Exeter. Clapton O. v. Bournemouth. Crystal P. v. Bristol R. Luton v. Brighton. Northampton v. Fulham. Notts Co. v. Watford. Queens' P.R. v. Coventry. Southampton v. Newport. Tottenham v. Swindon. Torquay v. Walsall. Division IV—Northern. Carlisle v. Rochdale. Chesterfield v. Barrow. Darlington v. N. Brighton. Hartlepool v. Doncaster. Lincoln v. Hull. Notts v. Stockport. Rotherham v. Southport. Tranmere v. Crewe. Wigan v. Gateshead. Wrexham v. Halifax. York C. v. Accrington.

SCOTTISH CUP.

Second Round. Dundee U. v. Celtic. Motherwell v. Albion Rovers. Murrayfield v. Ayr. Clyde v. St. Mirren. Third Lanark v. Airdrie. Dumbarton v. Alloa. Rangers v. Dundee. Montrose v. Civil Service. Cowbeath v. St. Johnstone. Inverness Caled. v. Falkirk. Arbroath v. Edinburgh C. Hamilton v. Hibernians. Kilmarnock v. Hearts. Kings' Park v. St. Bernard's. Aberdeen v. Partick T. Queens' P.R. v. Morton.

TO-MORROW'S SNIPS.

Home. Arsenal v. Aston Villa. Chelsea v. Bradford. Bury v. Cardiff. Everton v. Wolves. Fulham v. Luton. Southampton v. Southern. Swindon v. Stoke. Swansea v. Bradford C. Charlton v. Millwall. Middlesbrough v. Barnsley. Plymouth v. Notts For. Bristol C. v. Cardiff. Reading v. Luton. Division III—Southern. Notts Cnty. v. P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts. Brighton v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Southern v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Crystal Pal. v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Northern v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Fulham v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Brentford v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Coventry v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Exeter v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Bournemouth v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Torquay v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Swindon v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Luton v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Queens' P.R. v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Gillingham v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Bristol R. v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Walsall v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Clapton O. v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Walsall v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Newport v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Norwich v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Thames v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Division III—Northern. Lincoln v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Tranmere v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Chesterfield v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Stockport v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Wrexham v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Wigan v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Gateshead v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Accrington v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Rotherham v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Rochdale v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Barrow v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Hartlepool v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Brighton v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Darlington v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. York v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Doncaster v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Crewe v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Halifax v. 25 10 4 32 30 38. Nelson v. 25 10 4 32 30 38.

INTERPORT FOOTBALL TRIAL.

Final Match to Decide Hong Kong's Eleven.

The following have been selected to play in an Interport Trial match against the Navy on Tuesday February 2 on the Hong Kong Football Club ground at 4.30 sharp:— Clarke (Police); Li Tin-sang (South China); Bishop (Club) (Captain); Hedley (Kowloon); Eynon (S.W.B.); Yeoman (A. & S.H.); E. Gosano (Recreo); Segalen (Club); A. V. Gosano (Recreo); Fung King-cheung (South China); Ip Pak-wa (South China). Reserves: Suen Kam-shun (Athletic); Lau Yuk-ying (Athletic); Strange (Club); A. Duncan (Club); Blackburne (A. & S.H.). Club Secretaries are asked to warn both players and reserves to be at the Hong Kong Football Club House not later than 4.15 p.m. on the day of the match. At the conclusion of this match the team to represent Hong Kong in the Interport match will be chosen.

KOWLOON F.C. TEAM FOR TO-MORROW.

The following have been selected to represent the Kowloon F.C. 2nd eleven against the Chinese Athletic to-morrow, at 2.30 p.m. on the Kowloon ground:— Angus; Guest; Everest; H. Brown; Gilchrist; Smith; White; A. B. Clemen; Spary; Whiting and Blackford. Reserves: Cotton; Kerr; Hast and Eastman.

HOCKEY.

HONG KONG LADIES' TEAM FOR TO-MORROW.

The following will represent the Hong Kong Ladies' Hockey Club against the Diocesan Girls' School at King's Park to-morrow at 3 p.m. J. Smalley; E. Gray; B. V. Frank; E. O'Hagan; E. Bonner; M. L. Wallace; E. R. Bell; N. McNeillie; E. M. Donelan; C. M. Ferguson and M. Bishop.

REVISED LEAGUE TABLES.

English League—Division I. Goals. Arsenal 24 18 5 3 78 35 37. Wednesday 26 18 5 3 78 35 37. Aston Villa 27 13 8 6 78 58 34. Derby 25 18 7 5 59 40 34. Portsmouth 26 11 9 6 58 43 31. West Ham 26 12 6 8 66 58 30. Middlesbrough 27 12 4 11 58 55 29. Kidderminster 26 12 6 8 71 45 27. Manchester C. 27 11 5 11 48 27 27. Blackburn 26 10 6 10 55 50 26. Sheffield U. 26 9 8 9 55 50 26. Chelsea 25 10 5 10 42 25 25. Liverpool 26 9 10 7 54 4 25. Leicester 25 11 5 5 53 25 25. Newcastle 26 10 4 12 55 50 24. Sunderland 25 7 10 5 51 61 23. Bolton 25 9 4 12 45 42 22. Leeds 26 8 5 13 52 53 21. Birmingham 26 7 12 40 51 21. Stockport 26 7 12 43 49 19. Grimsby 26 7 4 15 39 58 18. M'chester U. 27 4 4 19 35 84 12.

Division II. Goals. Everton 26 19 4 3 83 40 42. West Brom 26 15 5 6 58 29 35. Tottenham 26 15 5 6 58 29 35. Wolves 26 15 5 6 58 29 35. Preston N.E. 26 10 1 9 60 37 33. Bury 26 13 3 10 57 50 29. Port Vale 26 13 3 10 51 46 29. Burnley 26 12 5 8 53 51 29. Southampton 26 11 9 6 53 27 29. Bradford 26 12 5 9 56 41 29. Oldham 26 10 5 12 37 47 25. Stoke 26 9 6 11 37 50 24. Swansea 26 9 6 11 37 50 24. Bradford C. 26 8 6 11 34 48 22. Charlton 26 8 6 12 35 55 22. Millwall 26 8 14 51 60 21. Barnsley 26 7 12 29 45 21. Plymouth 26 8 4 14 44 60 20. Notts For. 26 8 8 12 47 59 20. Bristol C. 26 7 6 13 29 53 20. Cardiff 26 7 4 14 39 57 18. Reading 26 7 16 40 71 17.

Division III—Southern.

Goals. Notts Cnty. 26 18 4 4 62 30 38. Brighton 25 11 10 4 43 28 32. Southern 25 15 2 9 51 41 32. Crystal Pal. 25 15 5 7 63 30 31. Northern 25 12 7 6 53 31 30. Fulham 25 12 5 9 52 50 29. Brentford 25 12 5 9 41 49 29. Coventry 25 12 4 9 59 42 28. Exeter 25 9 8 8 47 52 27. Bournemouth 25 10 7 9 48 60 27. Torquay 25 11 5 11 59 63 27. Swindon 25 12 2 12 53 57 26. Luton 25 10 6 10 37 38 26. Queens' P.R. 25 11 3 12 56 45 25. Gillingham 25 9 9 9 43 42 25. Bristol R. 25 7 12 45 63 23. Walsall 25 9 12 43 43 23. Clapton O. 24 9 4 11 40 47 22. Walsall 25 8 12 51 59 19. Newport 25 7 10 50 74 17. Norwich 25 6 4 10 28 47 16. Thames 25 6 3 17 23 65 15.

Division III—Northern. Goals. Lincoln 26 18 4 4 61 20 40. Tranmere 26 17 3 6 82 51 37. Chesterfield 27 10 5 6 61 37 37. Stockport 26 17 3 6 59 35 37. Wrexham 26 12 5 9 52 50 29. Wigan 26 14 2 10 50 52 30. Southport 25 13 9 3 40 48 29. Carlisle 26 13 8 10 58 50 29. Gateshead 26 8 12 35 55 25. Accrington 26 8 12 35 55 25. Rotherham 26 8 12 35 55 25. Rochdale 26 9 4 13 45 64 22. Barrow 27 9 4 14 41 63 22. Hartlepool 26 9 3 13 49 40 21. Brighton 27 8 6 13 29 52 21. Darlington 26 8 4 14 43 41 20. York 26 9 2 13 45 50 20. Doncaster 26 6 7 13 40 47 19. Crewe 25 9 1 15 40 61 19. Halifax 25 7 1 15 32 58 19. Nelson 26 4 5 17 29 62 13.

THE LAWN TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

Dates for Numerous Matches Now Fixed.

CLUB EVENTS.

Following the popularity of the Hong Kong Cricket Club's action last year, the Club have again fixed dates for this year's tournaments. As seen below the tournament commences officially on February 9, and each day is featured by at least one good match. No play will take place on Saturdays and Sundays, and there will be a break of one full week from February 16 to February 22 for the Chinese New Year, and another of three days for the Annual Races. Below we append the fixture list and also the Club championship draw and playing off card.

Monday, February 9.

Open Singles:— P. Kong v. Y. W. Lee. F. A. Redmond v. J. W. Leonard. T. Akiyama v. Ng Sze-keung. H. Y. Ho v. K. Yoshikawa. Yew Man-kit v. Lee Wai-toi. Lee Woon-toi v. Ng Kam-chuen. Open Doubles:— Segalen and Zimmermann v. F. Ali and F. Khan.

Tuesday, February 10.

Open Singles:— A. O. Johnson v. S. W. Liang. G. W. A. Tufton v. Dr. D. J. Valentine. Ho Ka-lau v. W. F. Edge. W. C. Hung v. F. Crose. Open Doubles:— E. C. Fincher and E. C. Fincher v. Hawkins and Todd.

Wednesday, February 11.

Open Singles:— C. A. L. Rumlaha v. R. R. Todd. Wong Fuk-nam v. C. E. Holmes. C. S. Pile v. W. T. Lee. T. Honda v. E. F. Fincher. J. A. Cassumbhoy v. H. D. Rumlaha. Lu Tak-lam v. H. S. Lee. Open Doubles:— Soenderam and Lee Hau-mo v. Sayer and Raworth.

Thursday, February 12.

Open Singles:— C. A. L. Rumlaha v. D. B. Evans. Fides Khan v. Slow Kim-nang. W. J. Howard v. E. Rallison. M. K. Lo v. K. Nakagato. Open Doubles:— Yoshikawa and Knochita v. Lee Woon-toi and Lee Wai-toi.

Friday, February 13.

Open Singles:— E. T. E. Nash v. Capt. W. M. Morgan. Tsui Wai-pui v. Lt.-Col. J. G. Lecky. L. Goldman v. S. E. Green. Luk Kang-cheung v. Chin Chun-chiu. M. W. Lo v. I. M. A. Razack. C. E. Hanwell v. Ho Wai-hing. Open Doubles:— F. Crose and R. Choa v. Henderson and Sewell.

Monday, February 23.

Open Singles:— L. T. Ride v. G. Lal. A. D. Humphreys v. F. H. Kwok. J. M. Morhams v. H. N. Chau. V. M. Soenderam v. J. H. Anderson. Wong Shiu-wing v. Chan So. Open Doubles:— Tsui Wai-pui and Ip Kau-ko v. Armstrong and Marton.

Tuesday, February 24.

Open Singles:— S. A. Rumlaha v. In Tak-cheuk. Feroze Ali v. N. P. Petch. H. C. Hughes v. Ng Sze-keung. A. L. Sullivan v. D. MacDougall. Ho Ka-lau and Yew Man-kit v. Anderson and Grimbie. Kwok and Chau v. Johnson and Anger.

Wednesday, February 25.

Open Singles:— A. H. Rumlaha v. D. W. Deane. Horace Lo v. D. S. Green. E. C. Fincher v. R. Choa. E. Zimmermann v. Surg-Comdr. H. Harkins. Open Doubles:— Ng Kam-chuen and Tsui v. Barton and Bowker.

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

INWARD MAILS

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30.	
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai (Seattle, Jan. 10)	President McKinley
SATURDAY, JANUARY 31.	
Shanghai and Swatow	Sui Yang
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai (Seattle, Jan. 7)	Hikawa Maru
Java	Storviken
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1.	
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London, January 12)	Tibadak
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2.	
Manila	President Taft
Straits	Allport
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3.	
Java via Batavia	Tjondari
Straits	Van Heuts
Japan	Melbourne Maru
Japan and Shanghai	Andre Lebon
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4.	
Australia and Manila	Tanda
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5.	
Japan	La Plata Maru
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6.	
Japan and Shanghai	Kashima Maru
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7.	
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver, B.C., Jan. 17)	Empress of Canada

OUTWARD MAILS

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30.	
Shanghai and Wuchow	Tai Hing 4 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Comorin (Due Marseilles, Feb. 27.)
K.P.O.	G.P.O.
Parcels Jan. 30, 4.30 p.m.	Parcels Jan. 30, 5 p.m.
Registration Jan. 31, 9 a.m.	Registration Jan. 31, 9.45 a.m.
Letters Jan. 31, 10 a.m.	Letters Jan. 31, 10.30 a.m.
Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane	Nellore (Due Brisbane, Feb. 17.)
Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia	Parcels Jan. 30, 5 p.m.
Malwa	Registration Jan. 31, 9.45 a.m.
Letters Jan. 31, 8.30 a.m.	Letters Jan. 31, 8.30 a.m.
Saigon	Registration Jan. 30, 6 p.m.
Borneo	Letters Jan. 30, 6 p.m.
SUNDAY, JANUARY 31.	
Japan and *Canada via Victoria, B.C.	Tyndareus (Due Victoria, B.C., Feb. 24.)
Registration Jan. 31, 9.15 a.m.	Registration Jan. 31, 9.15 a.m.
Letters Jan. 31, 10 a.m.	Letters Jan. 31, 10 a.m.
Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia	Tijpanas 10 a.m.
Manila	President McKinley 4.30 p.m.
Amoy	Anking 5 p.m.
Japan	Ginyo Maru 5 p.m.
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1.	
Holhow, Pakhol and Haiphong	Limchow 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru 9 a.m.
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2.	
Bangkok via Swatow	Kiang Su 9.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Kut Sang
Parcels Feb. 2, Noon	Letters Feb. 2, Noon
Japan, *Canada, U.S.A., *C. & *S. America and *Europe via Victoria, B.C.	President Taft (Due Victoria, B.C., Feb. 20.)
Parcels Feb. 2, 3 p.m.	Parcels Feb. 2, 3 p.m.
Registration Feb. 2, 4.15 p.m.	Registration Feb. 2, 4.15 p.m.
Letters Feb. 2, 5 p.m.	Letters Feb. 2, 5 p.m.
Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia	President Taft
Rabaul	Registration Feb. 2, 5 p.m.
Letters Feb. 2, 6 p.m.	Letters Feb. 2, 6 p.m.
Manila and Java via Sourabaya	Bremerhaven 5 p.m.
Sandakan	Tibadak 9.30 a.m.
Saigon, *Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Yu Sang 10.30 a.m.
Andre Lebon (Due Marseilles, Mar. 6.)	
K.P.O.	G.P.O.
Registration Feb. 3, 1 p.m.	Registration Feb. 3, 1.45 p.m.
Letters Feb. 3, 1 p.m.	Letters Feb. 3, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Philoctetes 2 p.m.
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Brisbane	Hai Ning 2 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan & Honolulu, & *San Francisco	Melbourne Maru (Due Brisbane, Feb. 17.)
Registration Feb. 3, 4.15 p.m.	Registration Feb. 3, 4.15 p.m.
Letters Feb. 3, 5 p.m.	Letters Feb. 3, 5 p.m.
Asama Maru (Due San Francisco Feb. 25 & *Europe via Siberia)	
Registrations Feb. 3, 5 p.m.	Registrations Feb. 3, 5 p.m.
Letters Feb. 4, 8.30 a.m.	Letters Feb. 4, 8.30 a.m.
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4.	
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America, *Europe via Vancouver, B.C.	Empress of Japan. (Due Vancouver B.C. Feb. 20.)
Parcels Feb. 4, 5 p.m.	Parcels Feb. 4, 5 p.m.
Registration Feb. 5, 9.15 a.m.	Registration Feb. 5, 9.15 a.m.
Letters Feb. 5, 10 a.m.	Letters Feb. 5, 10 a.m.
Swatow	Kwong Sang 5 p.m.
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5.	
Amoy	Nam Sang 5 p.m.

*Superscribed correspondence only.

GRAND NATIONAL CONDITIONS.

Drastic Alterations to Be Made.

RUNNERS RESTRICTED.

Mr. E. A. C. Topham, the Clerk of Course at Liverpool, has, with the approval of the Stewards, made drastic alteration in the conditions of this year's Grand National, with a view to limiting the size of the field to normal proportions. Mr. Topham has begun by eliminating the entry of five-year-olds, but this will make very little difference to the number of entrants, for few horses of that age have, at all events, in recent years, been nominated. A much more sweeping alteration is that a horse will not be qualified to run unless he has, prior to March 17, either won or been placed in races of a certain distance or value. In this connection it is interesting to note that the conditions do not stipulate that a horse must be qualified at entry. Any horse, even one who has not won or been placed in a race of any description, can be entered, and is allowed until March 17, or ten days before the race is due to be run, to gain the necessary qualification. It will, however, be noted that the first acceptance for the race is due on January 27 (a week after the publication of the weights), and any horse remaining in after that date will incur a liability of an extra 50 sovs; so that it is very unlikely that horses of which very high hopes are entertained of their ability to do so, will be left in after that date.

The new conditions of the race, which will be run on Friday, March 27, are—
The Grand National Steeplechase (handicap) of 10 sovs. each, 50 sovs. extra if left in after January 27, with an additional 40 sovs. if left in after March 17, with 5,000 sovs. (including a trophy value 200 sovs.) added; second to receive 800 sovs., third 500 sovs., and the fourth 200 sovs. from the stakes. For six years old and upwards which, by March 17, 1931, have been placed first, second or third (by the judge) in steeplechases of three miles and upwards, or the equivalent in foreign distances, or in the steeplechases of any distance at Aintree (Liverpool), or the winner of a steeplechase value 500 sovs. (selling races in every case excepted). Weights published January 22, at noon. The highest weight not more than 12st. 7lb., and the lowest weight not less than 10st. 7lb. Grand National Course—about 4 miles and 856 yards.

Minimum Weight Raised.
The lowest weight will be 10st. 7lb. instead of 10st., as last year, thus giving a range of only 2st. in the weights. The bottom weight has varied from time to time in previous year, and used to be as low as 9st. 7lb.—the lowest minimum permitted under National Hunt Rules. Suncho won the race with that weight in 1914.

The other conditions of the race remain the same, with the exception that an owner who leaves his horse in at the final acceptance will have to pay 100 sovs. instead of, as last year, 35 sovs., with an additional 15 sovs. if he can his horse.
These sweeping alterations are intended to eliminate as far as possible the entries of mediocre horses and the consequent menace of a huge field. It will be remembered that in 1929 there were 68 runners for the race, and it is feared that the promotion of a sweepstake in connection with the event would mean an even greater number of runners. Although in the Irish Hospitals Sweep, which is now being promoted on the Grand National, the conditions have been altered to the extent that no bigger prize will be paid for a starter than for an entry.

Temptation to Owners.
On occasions in the past a moderate horse has won the Grand National entirely because the good horses in the race have met with the bad luck or being interfered

SHEFFIELD SHIELD CRICKET.

New South Wales Again Score Freely.

INNINGS VICTORY.

At Adelaide, A. F. Kippax won the toss from V. Y. Richardson, and decided to bat. At the close of play on the first day, New South Wales had scored 455 for the loss of three wickets. Jackson and Bradman put on 334 for the second wicket. Bradman batted 4 hours 49 minutes for 258, and hit 37 fours. Jackson made 166 in 3 hours 49 minutes, and hit 15 fours. The second wicket stand is a record for Sheffield Shield cricket. N. S. Wales won by the handsome margin of an innings and 134 runs.

Scores:—
N.S.W.—1st Innings.
A. Jackson, c Richardson, b 100
J. Fingleton, st Walker, b 68
D. G. Bradman, b Richardson 258
A. F. Kippax, b Grimmett 42
S. J. McCabe, lbw, b Carlton 7
A. Fairfax, b Grimmett 38
W. Bill, lbw, b Grimmett 0
H. S. Love, lbw, b Grimmett 4
H. Hooker, b Carlton 45
H. Chivers, run out 23
W. Hunt, not out 16
Extras 10
Total 610
Bowling: Wall 0 for 89, Carlton 2 for 92, Lee 0-144, Grimmett 5 for 180, Waite 1 for 54, Richardson 1 for 38.

South Australia—1st Innings.
G. W. Harris, b Hunt 11
H. C. Nitschke, c Hooker, b 69
Chivers 25
D. E. Pritchard, b Chivers 18
V. Y. Richardson, b McCabe 13
Chivers 23
A. Hack, lbw, b Hunt 4
E. K. Lee, not out 13
N. G. Waite, b Hunt 0
T. A. Carlton, c Love, b Chivers 2
C. V. Grimmett, c and b Chivers 17
T. M. Wall, lbw, b Hunt 14
C. V. Walker, b Hunt 10
Extras 10
Total 310
Bowling: Fairfax 0 for 29, Hunt 5 for 36, Hooker 0 for 23, Chivers 5 for 63.

South Australia—2nd Innings.
G. W. Harris, c Kippax, b 25
Bradman 102
H. C. Nitschke, c Fingleton, b 102
A. Hack, b Hunt 25
V. Y. Richardson, b Hunt 17
D. E. Pritchard, b Hunt 1
P. K. Lee, b Bradman 25
N. G. Waite, lbw, b Chivers 0
C. V. Grimmett, b Chivers 26
Carlton, st Love, b Bradman 15
T. M. Wall, not out 16
C. V. Walker, b Hooker 18
Extras 18
Total 310
Bowling: Hooker 1 for 20, Fairfax 0 for 1, Hunt 4 for 105, Chivers 2 for 51, Bradman 3 for 54, McCabe 0 for 20, Kippax 0 for 10.

Married v. Single at H.K.C.C.
The following teams have been selected for the match to be played on the Club ground to-morrow: Married—T. E. Pearce, G. R. Sayer, E. B. Reid, N. A. Thorn, E. J. R. Mitchell, E. R. Duckett, R. H. Wild, H. J. Armstrong, J. Hiley, E. C. Etherington, J. R. Way and S. J. Stanesby. Single—A. Reid, R. M. Airey, K. H. Batzer, O. E. G. Martin, R. H. Griffith, W. Rigg, H. F. Green, R. K. Hepburn, J. D. A. Hutchinson, C. A. Wright, C. E. Gahagan and J. MacFarlane.

with or knocked over by riderless horses. In 1928, for instance, when the 100 to 1 chance, Tipperary Tim, won, there was a general mix-up at the Canal Ditch. Easter Hero landed on top of the fence, causing some horses to fall and others to unseat their riders with the result that more than a score of others were prevented from getting across the obstacle.

The larger the field the more likelihood is there of such things happening degrading the race possibly into a farce. It was felt that some owners might, therefore, be tempted to enter moderate horses, with the idea of agreeing to run them if the drawers of their horses in the sweeps would offer to share with them the big prizes in the event of the horses being placed in the first three.

This is the first time five-year-olds have been barred from being entered for the Grand National. The last winner of the race of this age was the French horse, Lutetia III, in 1909. Other five-year-olds which have won it are Empress, Austreluz Regal and Alcibiade.

EXCHANGES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

On London—	
Bank, wire	113½
Bank, on demand	113½
Bank, 4 months' sight	113½
Credits, 4 months' sight	1/— 7/16
Documentary, 4 months' sight	1/— 9/16
On Paris—	
On demand	605
Credits, 4 months' sight	645
On New York—	
On demand	23¾
Credits, 60 days' sight	24¾
On Bombay—	
Wire	66
On demand	66
On Calcutta—	
Wire	66
On demand	66
On Singapore—	
On demand	42¾
On Manila—	
On demand	47¾
On Shanghai—	
On demand	Tls. 75
Dollar	3½ dis.
On Yokohama—	
On demand	48
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	1/— 3/4
Silver (per oz.)	13 13/16
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	Nominal
Copper Cash	Nominal
Copper Cents	3½ prem.
Rate of Native Interest	3½% p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin	21½% dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin Far	

LONDON EXCHANGES.

Rugby, Yesterday.	
Paris	123 9/16
New York	485 19/32
Brussels	34.82½
Geneva	25.11
Amsterdam	12.07½
Milan	92.75½
Berlin	20.43½
Stockholm	18.14½
Copenhagen	18.16
Oslo	18.16½
Vienna	34.53½
Prague	164½
Helsingfors	193
Madrid	47.95
Lisbon	108.25
Athens	375
Bucharest	817
Rio	4 3/16
Buenos Aires	34 3/16
Montevideo	32½
Bombay	1/5 ¾
Shanghai	1/3 ¾
Hong Kong	11¾
Yokohama	2/0 7/16
Silver Spot	13 13/16
Silver Forward	13 9/16
—British Wireless Service.	

"DEATH LEAP" BRIDGE.

Safety Nets To Deter Would-Be Suicides.

Pasadena, Nov. 8.
Police are pondering a plan to install acrobats' safety nets on each side of the Colorado Street bridge here, as a deterrent to would-be suicides, following the thirty-second attempt at self-destruction here recently.

The bridge is 150 feet above the rocky gorge of the Arroyo Seco, at its highest point, and in all but a few cases, the jumpers have gone to an instant death.

Hardly a week goes by without traffic officers spending hectic hours untangling traffic which has become tied up when motorists have thought they saw someone leap from the railing.

Attempt That Failed.
Mrs. Margaret White, 64, was the thirty-second would-be suicide, but she dropped only 25 feet into heavy underbrush and received no injury beyond a broken ankle.

The only comparable instance in which someone has survived the bridge leap occurred two years ago, police relate, when a young man proved his courage to his fiancée by leaping into the top of a eucalyptus tree.

Although the tree-top was only eight feet distant from the bridge railing, it towered 150 feet above the stream bed. The youth made the leap, and, after pausing in the topmost branches to quiet his pounding heart, climbed down to safety.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Opening Daily Official Quotations 30th Jan., 1931.

STOCK	Buy- ers	Sell- ers	Sales	Mon.	Fin. year	Last dividend and when paid
Banks.						
Hong Kong Bank	2030	2030	...	Dec.	[Final 43 bonus \$1 s/c 1930 ex. 1/11-1/12-1/13]	Pending
Chartered Bank	...	...	181	Dec.	[Interim 7/- free 1/11-1/12-1/13 s/c 1930]	Sep. — 80
Mercantile Bk., A.B. & C.	...	...	211	Dec.	[Interim 10/- free 1/11-1/12-1/13 s/c 1930]	Sep. — 80
Bank of Asia	...	...	120	Dec.	\$3 for 1929	Feb. 28, 80
Insurance.						
Canton Ins.	...	...	1300	Dec.	[Final 87 for 1929 Interim \$19 s/c 1930]	May 15, 80
Union Ins.	600	...	...	Dec.	[Final 10/- for 1929 Interim 2/- s/c 1930]	May 30, 80
*China Underwriters	81	...	...	Dec.	None	...
China Fire Ins.	475	...	...	Dec.	[Final 40 bonus \$3 for 1929]	May 30, 80
H. K. Fire Ins.	...	...	1300	Dec.	[Interim \$3 s/c 1930] \$47 for 1929	Mar. 28, 80
Shipping.						
Douglases	...	...	281	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929	...
H. K. Steamboats	...	...	27	Dec.	\$1.50 for 1929	Mar. 4, 80
Indo-China (Pref.)	...	...	40	Dec.	[12/- ex. 2/3 on preferred for 1929 and 1930]	June 19, 80
Shell Transports	...	...	30	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929	...
Union Waterboats	39	...	76½	Dec.	[Interim 25 Cents Nov. 8/1 free 1/11-1/12-1/13 s/c 1930]	Pending
Mining.						
Benguet	...	...	11	Dec.	[Final 40 centavo making 1/2 s/c 1930 for 1929]	Dec. 20, 80
Kailan Mining Ad. v/	...	...	32/0	June	[Fin. 4/- free 1/11-1/12-1/13 making 9/- for 1929 and 1930]	Dec. 20, 80
Langkat	...	...	81	Oct.	7 s/c for year 31-1-29	May 6, 80
S'bal Exploration	...	...	21	Dec.	None	...
Loans	91	...	...	Dec.	Interim 1. 0.25 s/c 1930 (Second Int. 1/11-1/12-1/13 s/c 1930)	July 1, 80
*Rube	39	...	...	Mar.	...	Dec. 16, 80
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.						
H. K. & K. Wharves	170½	171	...	Dec.	\$3 for 1929	Mar. 13, 80
H. K. & W. Docks	30	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929	...
South Ch. Motors	...	...	10	...	...	...
*China Providents (old)	245	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929	...
Hongkew	...	...	270	Dec.	Interim 2. 1 s/c 1930	Sep. 12, 80
N. Engineering	...	...	6	Dec.	T. 0.50 for 1929	Feb. 28, 80
Shanghai Docks	...	...	106	Apr.	T. 7 for year 30-4-30	July 30, 80
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.						
*H. K. & S. Hotels	12.50	12.00	12.90	Dec.	50 cents for 1929	Apr. 7, 80
H.K. Lands (old)	84½	84½	...	Dec.	...	...
" (new A)	84½	...	...	Dec.	[Final 82 for 1930]	Pending
" (new B)	84½	...	...	Dec.	Interim 2. 1 s/c 1930	July 31, 80
Shanghai Lands	...	...	345	Dec.	8 cents for 1929	May 7, 80
Humphreys (Cum Ru.)	...	...	17.30	Dec.	8 cents for 1929	May 7, 80
" Rights	...	...	3	Dec.	Interim 25 cents s/c 1930	Sep. 4, 80
H. K. Realities	940	94½	...	Dec.	\$3 for year 29-3-30	July 21, 80
Chinese Estates	...	...	97	Feb.	...	...
Cotton Mills.						
*Ewo Cotton	14.80	...	14.30 (85)	Dec.	[Final 2. 1 s/c 1929]	Mar. 17, 80
Shanghai Cotton	88	...	...	Apr. Oct	T. 2.25 for half year 31-10-30	Nov. 20, 80
Zoong Sing	10	...	...	June	T. 0.50 for year 30-6-30	Oct. 11, 80
Public Utilities.						
*H. K. Tramways	17.55	17.60	...	Dec.	Interim 40 cents s/c 1930	Aug. 27, 80
Peak Trams (old)	...	14½	...	Apr.	\$80 sta. on old for 30-4-30 (40 cents on new) 30-4-30	June 10, 30
" (new)	...	81	...	...	...	...
Star Ferries	...	99½	...	Dec.	\$1 for 1929	Pending
China Light	26.15	...	...	Sept.	Final 60 cts. s/c yr. 3-3-30	Dec. 15, 80
H. K. Electrica	50	80½	80	Dec.	\$2.50 for 1929	Mar. 13, 80
Macao	...	23	Dec.	...	...	...
Sandakan Light	...	12	June	...	...	...
H.K. Tels. fully paid	...	35½	...	Dec.	Int. (40 cents) s/c 1930	Aug. 1, 80
China Buses	22.50	...	...	Dec.	T. 0.50 for 1929	Feb. 25, 80
*S'porTraction(Ord.)	...	7/10	...	Sept.	(11½ on preference shares) (Subject to income tax.)	Feb. 6, 80
" (Pref.)	...	10½	...	...	...	...
Industrial.						
China Sugars	...	80cts	...	...	In Liquidation	...
Malayan Sugars	...	27	Dec.	...	P. 3 for 1929	Apr. 11, 29
Calder A. Mfg. Ord.	...	11½	Dec.	...	T. 0.50 for 7 months 1929	Apr. 30, 80
Canton Iron	...	9.50	July	...	None	...
*Cement (cons.)	16½	16½ (80)	...	...	[30 cents on old for 1929 (40 cents on new)]	Jan. 19, 80
" (old)	11.50	...	...	...	...	...
" (new)	...	5.20	...	...	...	...
H. K. Ropes	13.40	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929	...
Venezuela Gold Fields	91	...	...	...	...	...
Stores, &c.						
Dairy Farm (old)	...	26½	Dec.	...	\$1.50 for 1929	Mar. 14, 80
" (new)	...	24½	...	...	...	...
Watsons	12.40	...	Oct.	...	70 cents for year 31-10-29	Mar. 31, 80
Der A Wines	...	1	...	...	...	...
Lanc Crawfords	...	4	Feb.	...	Last dividend for year 31-2-29	...
Mackintosh	...	19	Feb.	...	\$2 for year 29-2-29	May 16, 80
Sincora	...	18½	...	...	...	...
Wm. Powells	...	2.85	Feb.	...	25 cents for year 22-2-29	June 10, 29
Miscellaneous.						
H.K. Amusement	28½	24	Mar.	...	\$2.50 for year 31-3-30	Sept. 27, 80
" (Rights)	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ch. Entertainment	18	...	...	...	...	...
H. K. Construction	...	5.30	Dec.	...	None	...
B. Ind. G. Bonds	87½	...	...	...	...	...
H. K. Govt. Loans	...	6½	...	...	Interest half yearly	...
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TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

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Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355
metres:
5-5.15 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
5.15 p.m.—Lecture in Mandarin
on "The Value of Chinese Literature
and its position in the world
of Culture"—relayed from the
Great Hall of the University.
Lecturer: The Hon. Mr. Tye Kwei-
to.
6.30 p.m.—Lecture from the
Studio by Dr. K. S. Shin, M.B.,
B.S. on "Infant Welfare."
7-10.30 p.m.—European Pro-
gramme of Victor and H.M.V. Re-
cords kindly supplied by Messrs.
S. Moutrie & Co.
7-8 p.m.—Variety.

Band—
A Musical Switch
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Guards (1589).

Song—
I Love a Lassie,
Sir Henry Lauder (9012).
Actual Recording of
"Daybreak at a Surrey Farm,"
Birds & Animals (3345).

Vocal Duet—
Just What I Thought,
Dora Maughan and Walter
Fehl (3060).

Orchestral—
Old Time Songs,
Jack Hylton & His Orch.
(1681).

Dialogue—
Blossom's Film Scenario,
John Henry and Blossom
(2384).

Song—
Poor Old Joe (Traditional),
Paul Robeson (3964).

Orchestral—
Hello! 1930,
Marek Weber & His Orch.
(3431).

Song—
a. Fire Down Below,
b. Hallelujahs (Harris),
John Goss Baritone, Tenor
(2420).

Organ Solo—
A Musical Trip Round the British
Isles Reginald Foort (2077).
8-8.35 p.m.—From the Studio—
Trios, Piano Solos, and Violin
Solos.

Piano Solo: Misses C. Braga and
May Ung.
Violin Solo: Miss J. Braga.
Piano Solo:
a. Etude (Chopin),
b. Musical Box (Leiblich),
Miss C. Braga.

Violin Solo—
Lied Heller Ernst.
Trio—
My Heart at Thy Sweet Voice,
C. Saint-Saens.

Piano Solo—
Prelude in C Minor
(S. Rachmaninoff),
Miss May Ung.

Violin Solo—
Brindisi Waltz D. Alard.
Trio—
One Fleeting Hour ... Dorothy Lee.
8.25-9 p.m.—Tschakowsky's Nut-
cracker Suite played by the
Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra.

9 p.m.—Weather Report, Local
Time, etc.
9.05-9.35 p.m.—Concert Items.

Organ Solo—
Melody in F (Rubenstein),
Edward O'Henry (3601).

Song—
I Passed by Your Window
(Brube),
Walter Glynn, Tenor (2429).

Trio—
A Perfect Day
(Carrie Jacobs-Bond),
Victor Salon Trio (19874).

Song—
a. Fairings,
b. Come to the Fair
a. Jack the Fiddler,
b. The Bellad Monger,
(Easthope Martin),
Percy Heming, Baritone
(1482).

Piano Solo—
Alice, Where Art Thou? (Ascher),
Home Sweet Home (Thalberg),
Arthur Meale (3166).

Song—
Eileen Alannah (Thomas),
Come Back to Erin (Claribel),
Walter Glynn, Tenor (3045).

9.35-9.50 p.m.—Organ Concerto
in B Flat (Handel).
Dr. E. Bullock playing on the
Organ of Westminster Abbey (2890).
9.50-10 p.m.—Geisha Selections
(Sydney Jones).

10-10.15 p.m.—
Good Old Dances,
Jack Hylton, His Orchestra
and Guests (1784).

Potpouri of Waltzes,
Kiriloff's Balalaika Orchestra
(1912).

10.15-10.30 p.m.—"Les Cloches
de Cornville" (Planquette).
Vocal Gems ... The Light Opera Co.
(2039).

Selections ... The Band of the Cold-
stream Guards (1880).

10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

COLLAPSE OF WALL

MAN AND FOUR WOMEN
CRUSHED TO DEATH.

Madras, Dec. 20.
A Kumbakonam message says
that five Addiravida labourers, in-
cluding four women, were crushed
to death by the collapse of a wall in
a village near Kumbakonam.
The labourers were engaged in
repairing a house, when the wall,
30 feet high, collapsed.

A mason working on the wall fell
with it, and his condition is said
to be critical.

SIR JOHN SIMON.

London, Dec. 23.
Sir John Simon left for Switzer-
land to-day. He will return to
London early in January to com-
plete the preparation of the report
of R101 injury, over which he
presided.

As a further aid to the develop-
ment of the growing potato indus-
try of Prince Edward Island, a
company has been formed in
Charlottetown to manufacture fer-
tiliser from imported raw
materials.

He Carries Weight



Less than three feet high and
made of solid cast iron, weighing
more than 100 pounds, this
little fellow carries weight both in
himself and with his fellow C.P.R.
employees and has been on the
same job of watering flowers for a
number of years. His life history
goes back to 1886 when he was seen
sitting atop the pilot of the first
Montreal-Port Moody train. There-
after he disappeared until 1888
when he again appeared on the
pilot of the first C. P. R. employees
picnic train that went to Morden,
Man., in July of that year. Again
he was lost and then found once
more, watering a private lawn in
Winnipeg. Returned to railway ser-
vice he was given a permanent job
with the C. P. R. and is shown
above watering the flowerbeds at
the Round House, Winnipeg. He
works 24 hours a day, but gets one
holiday every year aboard the pilot
of the picnic special's locomotive.

LABOUR SPLIT.

MR. FENTON TO RESIGN FROM
CABINET.

"THEY ARE MY FRIENDS."

Melbourne, Yesterday.
The Labour split over Mr.
Theodore's return to the Cabinet
has reached a climax in Mr.
Fenton's announcement that he
will resign from the Cabinet on
February 3.

The opinion is that Mr. Lyons
will also resign.

Mr. Theodore has arrived at
the residence of the Governor
General, Sir Isaac Isaacs, by air,
for the swearing in as Federal
Treasurer.

In the course of a public ap-
peal issued earlier to his col-
leagues, Mr. Scullin said, "I want
Mr. Fenton and Mr. Lyons in the
Cabinet. They are my friends."
Reuter.

[The controversy has arisen over a
majority of the Labour caucus in-
viting Mr. Theodore to resume office as
Treasurer. Mr. Theodore resigned
last year, following allegations of
wrong practice in connection with the
purchase of a Queensland mining prop-
erty by the Government.]

VOTE OF CENSURE.

LIBERAL RESOLUTION ON
UNEMPLOYMENT.

Rugby, Yesterday.
The Conservatives have decided
to anticipate the Liberal Party's
resolution on unemployment, by
moving a vote of censure on the
Government, which is expected to
be taken next week.

The Conservative motion is:
"That the House censures the
Government for its policy of con-
tinuous additions to public expendi-
ture at a time when the avoidance
of all new charges, and strict econ-
omy in the existing services, are
necessary to restore confidence
and promote employment."

The National Executive of the
Labour Party have decided against
Sir Oswald Mosley's proposal to
call a special conference of the
Labour Party on the Government's
unemployment policy. — British
Wireless Service.

PIT DISASTER.

EXPLOSION IN A GAS
POCKET.

Linton, Yesterday.
Thirty miners are now known to
have perished in the Little Betty
mine, due to the explosion of a
gas pocket.

There were 32 out of 115 day
shift miners in the mine when the
blast occurred, and two survived.
The others had reached the pit-
head.—Reuter's American Service.

FLIGHT TO CAPE.

R.A.F. PLANE LANDS AT
BROKEN HILL.

Rugby, Yesterday.
The Air Minister announces
that the Royal Air Force's Afri-
can Service flight to the Cape,
landed at Broken Hill, in Rhodesia,
yesterday afternoon.—British Wire-
less Service.

CHINESE NEW YEAR ANNOUNCEMENTS

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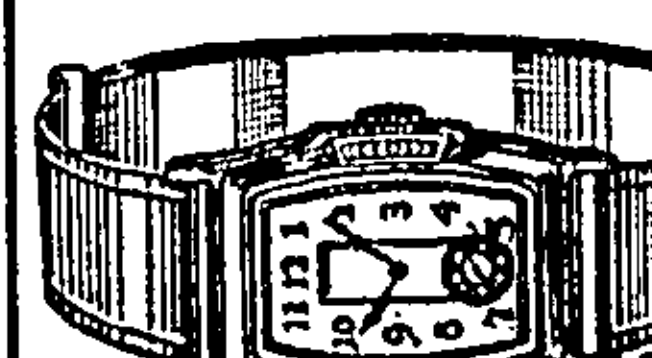
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TALKIE TALKS

Diana

"Thunderbolt" was one of the first Talkies made, but there is no denying that George Bancroft is perfectly cast in a Bancroft-made-to-order role. He shares honours with Richard Arlen, two other men also coming in for their share with outstanding portrayals, Tully Marshall and Fred Kohler. It is dawningly conceived and pictured with swagging virility by one of the finest producers of the day, Josef von Sternberg. Drama shot with comedy. Some may question the good taste of the dialogue between the inmates of the death cells. What made the lump come into my throat was the love of the brutal man for the mongrel dog. His exit is one of those moments in film that stands out in my memory. Fay Wray is convincing, and certainly pretty. There is much to be said in its favour—the story is new, and in this day of plagiarism something for which to be thankful. (Central).

What good news! The two artists for whom I fell so badly in "The Grand Parade," Helen Twelvetrees and he with the lovely golden tenor voice, Fred Scott, in their second Talkie, "Swing High," a tale of circus life, is due on Sunday in the Majestic Theatre. If it be half as good as their first effort, we are in for an entertaining evening. Drama and song and really fine acting. (Majestic).

Bebe Daniels in her first drama, "Love Comes Along," directed by Rupert Julian, who told me that Bebe is really fine in dramatic roles, and rings in another "Win." Between them they have done their best to make a weak story rate at 75 per cent., with the aid of Lloyd Hughes and Montague Love. Bebe sings two catchy numbers. It is well worth seeing. (Central).

"His First Command" in the Majestic Theatre, the first Talkie we have had here of William Boyd, now known as Billy Boyd. Join the Army and win your girl, that is the theme. Dorothy Sebastian, excellent in the feminine lead, quite an amusing story, and also served to introduce, for the first time, Greta Garbo's "Lead" in "Romance," Gavin Gordon, in the part of the other man.

The sincerity, charm and humour of Ramon Novarro pleased his admirer in the week in "The Call of the Flesh." A story of old Seville. Ramon sings and dances with Renee Adoree as his partner in a Cantina, which is surprisingly near a Convent. Still, it does give dear little much-improved Dorothy Jordan a chance to climb the wall and gaze upon her idol, and then to do the most daring thing—run away to his house and ask if she might be his cook! Good story that, but I am not surprised that both his late lady-love and the innocent Convent girl's brother are modern enough to believe the worst. The story gives opportunities galore for the sweet voice of the star. Ernest Torrence and Mathilde Comont took my fancy in small parts. Renee Adoree in the best thing she has done in the Talkies. (Queen's).

After this finishes, comes Greta Garbo in Doris Kean's "Romance."



I do not mean she wrote it. No, Edward Sheldon did that, but Doris Kean was the living embodiment of WHAT the Sheldon intended Cavalini to be—AND Greta Garbo? Well, see if I am not right. She was most ill-advised to even try the part. The Garbo "Fans" will want to see it, so I will leave criticism and what I personally think of this performance till later. (Queen's).

"Mamba" was a pleasant surprise. I know my East Africa, and the story rings true. I certainly want to see more of the delightful Eleanor Boardman. She looked a picture in the colour photograph, and has a cultured beautiful speak-

ing voice. Best thing that Jean Hersholt has done in the Talkies, and Ralph Forbes all that one desired as the handsome German officer. It was a big success in the Central.

"Good News," a silly Collegiate story, but good music, splendid chorus work, right kind of atmosphere plus little Bessie Love, dancing "The Varsity Drag," Ukelele Smith, and the football hero, Stanley Smith, and you are in for quite a cheery evening, if you like this type, go by all means! (Queen's).

"Song of my Heart." What is its recommendation? The greatest ballad singer of all time rambles through a silly plot, and sings—sings well to tell the truth—eleven songs. Some good, some indifferent, some perfect. We have for years listened with joy to the Victor records of John McCormack. Even though many of us have had the pleasure of seeing and hearing him in all parts of the world, we shall want to see his first Talkie. I hear he was paid \$500,000 for this, and asks \$650,000 for the next, so there may not be a next. The recording of his voice is perfect. John could not be more than in his late forties, but he has been singing for years, and is to my mind as good as ever. We are unable to say that of other singers who have been before the public as long as McCormack. The story and support I will leave to your criticism. Enough, just to hear the celebrated Irish tenor, Count McCormack. (Queen's).

"Man Trouble" with the late Milton Sills and the girl with whom he was ever at his best, Dorothy Mackaill. I saw them in their first Talkie together, "The Captive Woman," they were both excellent, and so they are in this, one of the first taken after his severe illness. It also serves to introduce a new face to this Colony, and an actor whom I rate very high, Kenneth MacKenna. We are shortly to see him in one of the adventures of Bulldog Drummond, under the title of "Temple Tower." As one expects from this combination, we shall see real he-man drama, amidst the glamorous night life of New York. Highly recommended, both artists at their very best. (Queen's).

From one who knows, take the tip that Warner Brothers' "Show of Shows" to be seen shortly in the Queen's is on a par with Paul Whiteman's revue, "King of Jazz." They are the best so far produced. What a galaxy of stars, bits of everything to please all tastes. John Barrymore above criticism in Gloucester's Soliloquy from Henry VI. Winnie Lightner, Ted Lewis, Noah Beery. AND what marvelous work by the chorus trained by Larry Coballos. NOT to be missed. More of it later! (Queen's).

Clara Bow in "True to the Navy" in the Central Theatre. In this "It" girl sings. The story is reminiscent of her silent film, which I liked, "The Fleet's In." Fredric March steals the heart of the little girl who runs the soda fountain which appears to be the home of the entire Pacific Fleet. It is decidedly "Bowish" if that conveys my meaning, but the little girl is worthier of better stories. There are a few moments of good comedy. See it, because Clara is always worth seeing and hearing. (Central).

The picture that has made me wholly and heartily a Barrymore "fan" is "General Crack." Expert sive and elaborate production of George Preedy's novel of an 18th Century soldier of fortune. Lowell Sherman as Leopold Lind perfect. Marion Nixon miscast as his sister. I do not fancy Armida; she disappoints; but the men and the story? Oh wonderful! More about it later. (Queen's).

Hurry up, Rudy Wallace, the idol of the Radio and the Victor Records. We know you cannot act, but after all you really do, make that old saying go to the wall, about "Jack of all trades and master of none," for you certainly CAN do more than one thing well. You sing, you play the "Sax," and you steal our hearts. "What more can we expect in reason? The name of the concoction that will serve to introduce to our eyes the man whose crooning voice we all love? "The Vagabond Lover." (Central).

"Let us be Gay." Norma Shearer's fifth Talkie, will shortly be seen in the Queen's Theatre. Many regard it as the best of them all. Robert Z. Leonard directs. It is from the stage play by Rachel Crothers and adapted by the famous Frances Marion. Playing opposite to Rod in Roquero who

takes the part of the philandering husband. Marie Dressler has another striking role, that of the eccentric Dowager—as usual perfection. Raymond Hackett, Gilbert Emery, Sally Eilers all good. The scenes are laid in attractive society settings. Miss Shearer and the others wear delightful creations by Adrian. I guarantee when you see it you will admit it is one of the biggest hits of the year, and it should fill the Queen's for a week.

HOLLYWOOD GOSSIP.

"Resurrection" has been done by Lupe Velez and John Boles. Dolores del Rio has done nothing since the shelving of "The Dove." The Duncan Sisters, the best and most famous of all sister acts, have parted. Mrs. Nils Asther has gone with her husband to Berlin. What a loss to the vaudeville stage.

Now that Reginald Denny is a supporting player and not a star, he is making an enormous success, going from one star to another, and praise all along the line. We shall see him shortly in "Madam Satan." Maurice Chevalier has been an absolute failure on the stage. The Press have advised him to stick to the Talkies, not go about demanding exorbitant salaries for his very small singing voice, and the privilege of seeing the "Million Dollar Smile." (What a Press Agent that man has). Hardly worth the price of admission.

"The Merry Widow" will be produced by M.G.M., BUT they are dangling after Maurice Chevalier of Paramount, and Ernest Lubitsch of the same Studio, and Jeanette MacDonald now of the Fox. Personally I think this cast would be perfect.

Adolphe Menjou is highly praised for his work with Lawrence Tibbets and Grace Moore in "The New Moon."

Jobyna Howland, who was so good in "The Cuckoos" and "Honey," appeared in the American and London productions of "The Gold Diggers," and was for three seasons in "Kid Boots" with Eddie Cantor.

FATAL AVALANCHE.

Paris, Yesterday. Sixty-three Italian soldiers are still marooned in the snow at Bardonecchia, and cannot be rescued by ordinary means as there is constant danger of another avalanche. Meanwhile, would-be rescuers have succeeded in passing to the marooned men eighty pairs of waterproof boots, through a specially emptied underground water conduit.—Reuter.

[An earlier message stated that a column of Italian Alpine troops on the march near the Franco-Italian border, were surprised by a hillside avalanche, which carried away a captain and twelve men. A company of Alpini reported to be missing, was said to have arrived at Bardonecchia with several dead.]

ROUND THE CINEMAS

"MAN TROUBLE"—FIRST SCREENING HERE.

MILTON SILLS THE STAR.

It is a great pity that Milton Sills, the film star, is dead. He was heard at the Queen's Theatre yesterday in the talkie film "Man Trouble" in which Dorothy Mackaill is the leading lady. Sills has a fine, clear tone, and he would have made much progress in talkies had he lived.

The plot of "Man Trouble" is more or less of the usual type, that is, newspaper man versus racketeer. Sills is the latter and he runs a night club in New York, and leads a notorious gang of men in robbing warehouses. The newspaper man is Kenneth MacKenna, who falls in love with Dorothy Mackaill, but she is obliged to Sills for her rescue when she jumped into a river. Apart from its excitement and dramatic ending, Roscoe Karns, and others in the cast supply much mirth.

In an interesting newsreel one sees Britain winning the relay race at the Empire Games at Ontario, whilst the landing of the French airmen, Coste and Bellonte in America, after their flight from Paris, is also featured.

"THUNDERBOLT."

Bancroft and Von Sternberg! Marvellous portrayals of life on the screen. It seemed that these two, star and director, achieved the greatest things possible on the screen with "Thunderbolt" now showing in the Central Theatre, in the all-talking screen medium, the miracle workers have perfected a new and greater picture of life in the little known milieu of the underworld.

No stronger drama has ever been conceived; no greater emotional climax ever screened than Von Sternberg and Bancroft have brought forth in "Thunderbolt." Opening in the intriguing atmosphere of Harlem's black metropolis, where Bancroft as a fearful death dealer sways the lives and destinies of hundreds of human beings, it swings to the awe-inspiring setting of Sing Sing's Death Row, where the final exciting climaxes in this most exciting drama are enacted.

The story captures and vivifies the dramatic incidents that cross the news horizon in the newspapers every day. It goes behind these flitting episodes and brings the whole tale forward. Superbly acted by a splendid cast, headed by Bancroft, Richard Arlen and Fay Wray, it is a slice of contemporary life made to live.

In "Thunderbolt," the all-talking medium of screen presentation is exceptionally effective. There are so many things to hear as well as to see that the combination of picture and sound is necessary to the complete entertainment. The perfection of the dialogue recording

matches the perfection of the direction and the acting. "Thunderbolt" is wonderfully well rounded—truly a master motion picture.

"ROMANCE."

In playing opposite Greta Garbo in "Romance," which is showing on Sunday in the Queen's Theatre, Gavin Gordon undertook one of the most difficult assignments before the microphone.

As the minister-lover of the opera star in the picturisation of the Edward Sheldon play, Gordon enacted the part of a man 28 years old. In the prologue and epilogue scenes, however, he had to "age" himself physically and vocally 50 years, appearing as a man nearing 80.

Clarence Brown directed the new Garbo talkie for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer from the adaptation by Bess Meredith and Edwin Justus Mayer of the play in which Doris Keane triumphed on the stage.

Lewis Stone heads the supporting cast which includes Elliott Nugent, Florence Lake, Clara Blandick, Mathilde Comont, Henry Armetta, and Countess Nina de Liguoro.

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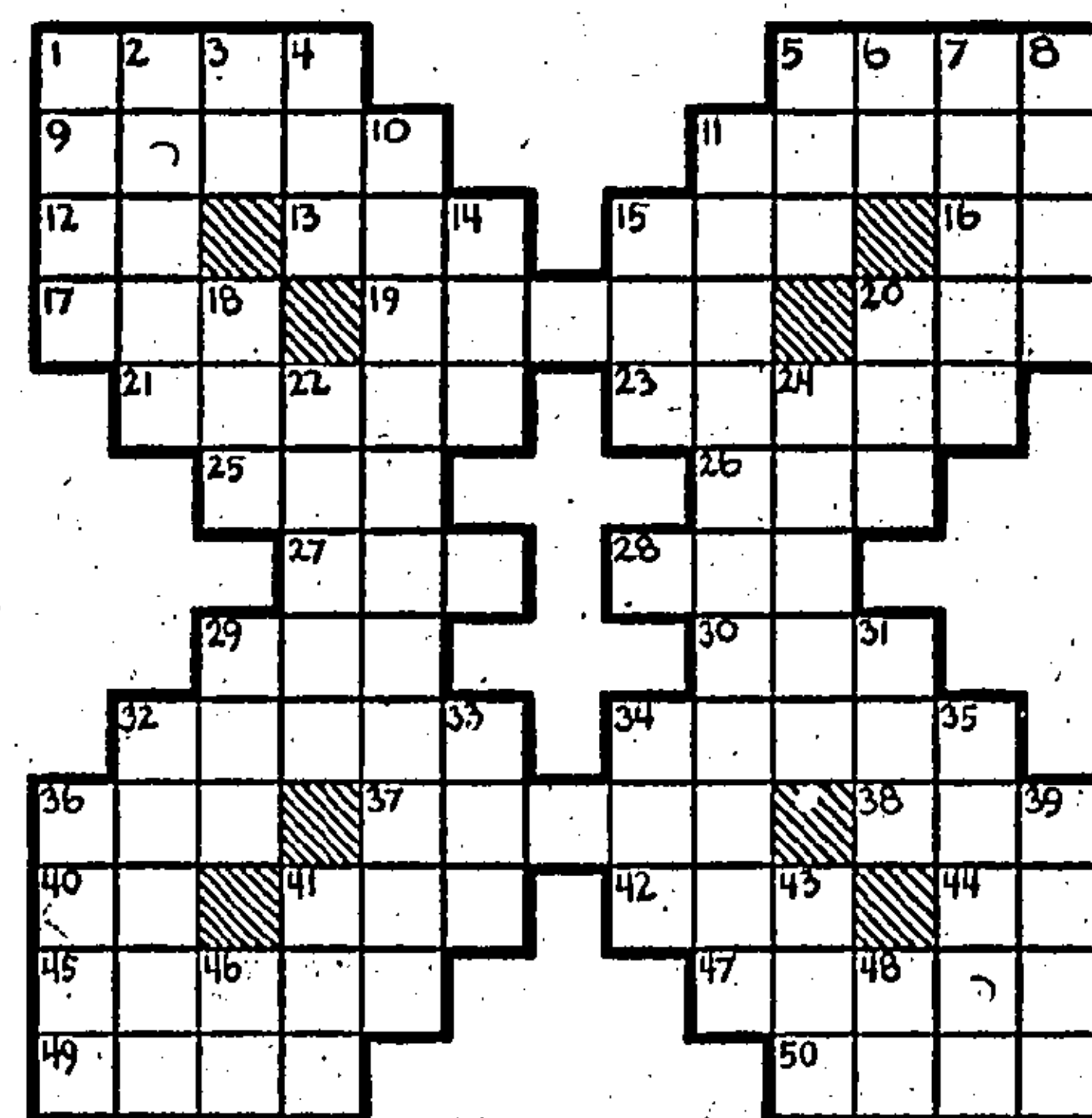
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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| HORIZONTAL
1—Converse in a gossip manner
5—Substance used for fuel
9—Graded
11—Merits
12—Pronoun
13—Boy's name (short)
14—Feminine name
15—A continent (abbr.)
17—Insect
19—To seek, as a favor
20—Deface
21—Stout twilled linen
22—A doctrine
23—Time-period
24—Decay
27—Part of the body
28—Pronoun
29—Greek letter E
30—Combining form. Air
32—A Grecian island
34—One who hoards avariciously | HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
35—Goddess of the sea (Norse Myth.)
37—A protuberance on the skull
39—Scotch river
40—Exist
41—Seed-covering
42—Fondle
44—Arab (abbr.)
45—Part of a carpenter's joint
47—Any settled opinion
49—Groove
50—Pitch | VERTICAL
2—Child's bed
3—Year
4—Half a score
6—Woodland spirit (Gr. Myth.)
8—Comparative suffix
7—First year's revenue of a bishop | VERTICAL (Cont.)
6—Title of former Russian rulers
10—Formal statement
11—Amused
14—U. S. monetary unit (abbr.)
15—Skill
16—Before
20—Joined
22—Wrathful
24—Part of face (pl.)
25—Eagle
31—A color
32—An animal
33—Terminate
34—Swat
35—Enlarges, as a hole
36—Rodent (pl.)
38—Time-period (pl.)
41—Kitchen utensil
43—Small child
48—Negative reply
49—Depart |
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(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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CANADIAN PREMIER VISITS U.S.A.

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 CLOSER CO-OPERATION.

Ottawa, Yesterday.
 The Prime Minister, Mr. J. R. Bennett, accompanied by Mr. Macindoe, United States Minister of Canada, has left for Washington to confer with President Hoover on, inter alia, the development of the deep waterways of the St. Lawrence route, and the removal of undue restrictions on crossing and re-crossing the boundary by Canadians and Americans.

He may also suggest an American-Canadian economic Zollverein to meet the threat of Russian competition, particularly in agricultural products, timber, wood pulp, and coal.—Reuter.

KOCHOW REFLOATED EXPECTED IN HARBOUR THIS AFTERNOON.

After being aground for four days near Campbell Island in the West River, about five miles below Shamshui, the s.s. Kochow was refloated last evening.

She is reported to have sustained little or no damage as the result of her stranding, and after she was taken off anchored in the river over night.

It is understood that she was to make for Hong Kong this morning and may be expected to arrive here this afternoon.

RUNAWAY ENGINE.

TERRIBLE ACCIDENT AT AGRAM.

Belgrade, Dec. 15.
 A terrible accident happened when a manœuvring locomotive rushed into a group of travellers stepping out from the express at Agram Station, where there are level platform crossings. Three people died and thirty were taken to hospital, terribly mutilated. The driver and stoker of the locomotive were both immediately arrested.

A chauffeur who witnessed the scene was so affected that he became mad and swallowed a bottle of acid and died in agony.

[Agram (Zagreb) is the chief town of Croatia and Slavonia in the Kingdom of Yugo-Slavia.]

MR. CHURCHILL TO RETIRE?

Ex-Chancellor Disagrees with Mr. Baldwin.
 MAY ENTER BUSINESS.

London, Yesterday.
 The Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill, in a letter to Mr. Stanley Baldwin on January 27, states: "Now that our divergence of views on the Indian policy became public I feel that I should no longer attend the meetings of your Business Committee," and adds that he will give Mr. Baldwin the utmost assistance to secure the defeat of the Socialist Government.

Mr. Baldwin replied on January 28, stating that much as he regrets the decision not to attend the meetings of his old colleagues, he is convinced that the decision is correct in the circumstances, and agrees with Mr. Churchill that there is nothing in a difference of opinion on a single policy to prevent close and loyal co-operation in doing his utmost to turn out the present Government.

Mr. Churchill's withdrawal from the Business Committee confirms the suspicion in political quarters that he is to be excluded from Mr. Baldwin's next Cabinet. It is freely suggested that Mr. Churchill is aware of this and in view of his antagonism to Mr. Baldwin's Indian policy he has seized the opportunity gracefully to retire from the sphere of Government. It is strongly rumoured that Mr. Churchill will shortly accept a commercial appointment.—Reuter.

BANKNOTE TRICK.

TWO CHINESE WOMEN VICTIMS.

Cheung Tai-mul, a married woman, and Chan Wai-yuk, a concubine, have been added to the already long list of victims of the famous "bank note trick."

The former, who resides at 63, Hollywood Road, reported to the Police that at about 9 p.m. on January 28, she met two men in Queen's Road near the Central Market, and was relieved of jewellery to the value of \$213.

Half an hour before the incident on the same day, the concubine, who dwells at 65, Queen's Road, met the same two men apparently, for she had taken from her jewellery to the value of \$95.

REHABILITATION OF SILVER.

Mr. Snowden Does Not Favour Joint Action.
 "NO USEFUL PURPOSE."

London, Yesterday.
 In the House of Commons at question time Mr. Philip Snowden said that he was not aware that any practicable proposals for the rehabilitation of the value of silver had so far been suggested and in his opinion no useful purpose would be served by approaching the French or United States Governments with a view to taking joint action in the matter.—Reuter.

MINE EXPLOSION.

OVER 20 MEN SAID TO BE MISSING.

London, Yesterday.

Between 40 and 50 men are estimated to be missing in an explosion at Haig Pit, Whitehaven.

Three Rescued. Later.

So far eight bodies have been recovered. Three men were rescued, two of whom were badly gassed. Twenty men are still missing.—Reuter.

SYNTHETIC GOLD.

PRISON FOR MAN WHO TRICKED CHEMISTS.

Cologne, Dec. 20.
 How conjuring tricks "produced" gold and yielded the trickster £12,000 was revealed during the trial of the "Goldmaker of Hilden," Heinrich Kerschldgen, who has been sentenced at Duesseldorf to 18 months' imprisonment for fraud.

Kerschldgen claimed that he could manufacture from sand not only sufficient gold to pay Germany's reparations, but also platinum and silver.

According to the prosecution the manufacture was a mere sleight of hand and consisted of passing an electric current through a mixture of sand and water in a bottle, but somehow Kerschldgen managed to introduce gold into the bottle.

Kerschldgen not only convinced professors and chemists, but also induced Anglo-American and German-American financial groups to provide funds.

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